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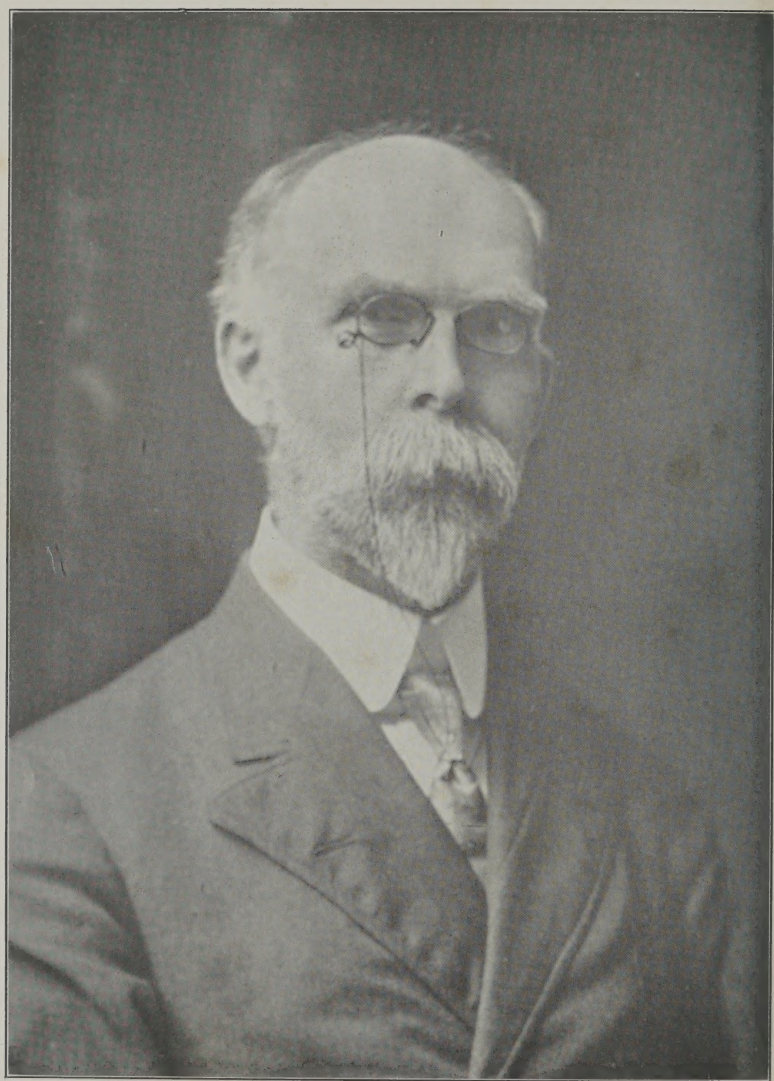












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year 1884, after a long and active life in agricultural pursuits. The mother, Abigail S. (White) Makepeace, was also born at Norton, Massachusetts, and was a direct descendant of William White, who came to the American colonies in the "Mayflower" in 1620.

David E. Makepeace was born at Norton, Bristol county, Massachusetts, June 9, 1848. His education was begun in the local public schools, after which he received private tuition at the Berry School at Mansfield, Massachusetts. His first employment was at Holliston, Massachusetts, where he remained for one year, after which he went to Malden, Massachusetts, where he bought out a meat market. This business, however, he sold at the end of two years and came to Attleboro, where he entered the employ of the jewelry firm of Bates & Bacon, leading manufacturing jewelers at that time. This was in the year 1868, and after a short time in this connection, Mr. Makepeace entered the employ of William Blackinton, where he was active for two years, then went to Horton, Angell & Company and remained for eleven years, holding the position of foreman. In the year 1882 Mr. Makepeace went to Providence, Rhode Island, where he was employed by Babbitt & Cameron for two years. He then established a plating business of his own, but this he sold after two years to E. N. Cook in order to accept a flattering offer as superintendent of the Howard & Sons plant. Active in that connection for three years, Mr. Makepeace returned to Attleboro and established himself in his present line of activity.

His beginning was very small, his first plant comprising only bench room in the old Steam Power building, then after about one year the interest had grown to a point where he found it necessary to secure more space. He removed to the watch case factory, then sometime later was able to secure an entire floor in the Steam Power building to which he returned. In the year 1900 Mr. Makepeace removed to his present location at the corner of Pine and Dunham streets and there built a four-story wooden structure containing about 32,000 square feet of floor space. This was a phenomenal growth and continued without cessation. In the year 1904 he built an adjoining structure on Pine street with equal floor space, divided among four stories, then in 1913 he erected the present fine brick building of four stories with about 35,000 square feet of floor space, making a total of 100,000 square feet of floor space, now devoted under this firm name to the manufacture of jewelry or materials for the jewelry trade. The concern produces various lines of material for the jewelry trade of high quality, but they are best known for their lines of jewelers' stock, seamless gold and silver tubing, and other materials and stocks for the jewelry trade, their market for these products being the world. They also do an extensive business in gold and silver plating. This concern started without any employees and they now employ 150 skilled hands, having an equipment which includes every improved

device in the way of labor saving machinery. The personnel of the concern is as follows: David E. Makepeace, president; A. A. French, treasurer; William E. Sweeney, secretary.

In his further affiliations in the business world, Mr. Makepeace is identified as president and director with the Rey Mining Company, as president and director with the Mossberg Pressed Steel Corporation, and as vice-president and treasurer with the First National Bank of Attleboro. He is a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association, the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and the firm is a member of the Board of Trade of Providence, Rhode Island. In political affairs Mr. Makepeace has served the public on various occasions along lines in which his practical business experience has been of great value to the civic body, but has never accepted a nomination for elective office. A Republican by political affiliation he has served as a delegate to several State conventions, and for a number of years has been active on the Water Works Commission, also was a member of the committee that drafted the City Charter of Attleboro. For more than thirty years Mr. Makepeace has been a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, of Boston, and still holds his membership, and during the World War he was prominent in Liberty Loan and Red Cross work. Fraternally Mr. Makepeace has long been a member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro, of which he is now the oldest living past master; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is chairman of the board of trustees, and of which he was treasurer of twenty-five years; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; is a Scottish Rite Mason of Boston, Massachusetts; and a member of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston. He is also a member of the Grotto, and is past patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He is further identified, fraternally, with Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he was vice grand; and a member of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Ancient Order of United Workmen, of Attleboro, Massachusetts. His clubs are the Pomham of Rhode Island and the West Side Club of Attleboro. He is a member of the Unitarian church, of which he has been treasurer for a number of years and was on the board of trustees.

Mr. Makepeace married, June 18, 1872, Myra B. Johnson, of Pontiac, Rhode Island, daughter of Isaac Newton Johnson and Katherine (Card) Johnson, both natives of Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Makepeace are the parents of two children: 1. Lula B., wife of Dr. T. L. Swift; they are the parents of Lawrence M. Swift, who is a graduate of Pennsylvania Military College, and during the World War was sent to Plattsburg for six months of intensive training, and was also an instructor there. He was later sent to Camp Grant as an instructor with the rank of second lieutenant, which made him

the youngest commissioned officer in the United States army. 2. Edna M., wife of Aldo A. French; they are the parents of Edgar A. French.

**HON. SILAS D. REED.**—In various branches of public endeavor, Senator Silas D. Reed has for many years been a prominent figure in Bristol county, Massachusetts, with his activities centering in Taunton. He is now postmaster of this city, and is widely known.

Mr. Reed is a son of Hon. Charles Andrew Reed, who was born at Weymouth, Norfolk county, Massachusetts, and died in 1900. Hon Charles A. Reed was an attorney-at-law by profession, city solicitor for many years, subsequently mayor, and a man of large ability. The mother, Welthea Nichols (Dean) Reed, was born in Taunton, and died June 30, 1884.

Silas D. Reed was born in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, June 25, 1872. He is a graduate of Bristol Academy, class of 1889, and also of Amherst College, class of 1893, having received his Bachelor's degree in the arts from that institution. He prepared for his law career at Boston University Law School and was admitted to the bar of his native State in 1904. An able speaker and possessed of powerful mentality, his ability brought him much into the public eye, and as long ago as the year 1897, he was brought forward in the public service, having been elected to the House of Representatives, serving until 1902, inclusive. His activities as a legislator gave his name prominence, and in 1905 he was again elected to the legislative halls of the State, this time to the Senate, in which he served for two consecutive years. Still again, in 1918, he was returned to high office and served in the Senate of the State of Massachusetts for a period of five years. Senator Reed is numbered among the prominent men of his native city and State, and his appointment as postmaster of the city of Taunton by President Harding on October 7, 1922, placed in this position an able and distinguished man. Always a Republican, Senator Reed was a member of the Republican City Committee for many years and served as its chairman in 1903 and 1904. He has also been a member of the Republican State Central Committee. From 1906 to 1914 he was also a lecturer at the Boston University Law School on Massachusetts legislative procedure. His long legislative experience and his ability as an instructor made this service of much constructive value. Senator Reed was a member of Company D, 14th Regiment, Massachusetts National Guard, and served a full period of two years during the World War.

Fraternally he is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston, Massachusetts; of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he was grand master of the State of Massachusetts, 1920-1921; Orient Lodge, No. 107, Knights of Pythias, of which he is past chancellor; and Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Winthrop Club and

the Segregansett Country Club; Taunton Grange; and the Beta Theta Phi Greek letter fraternity. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church.

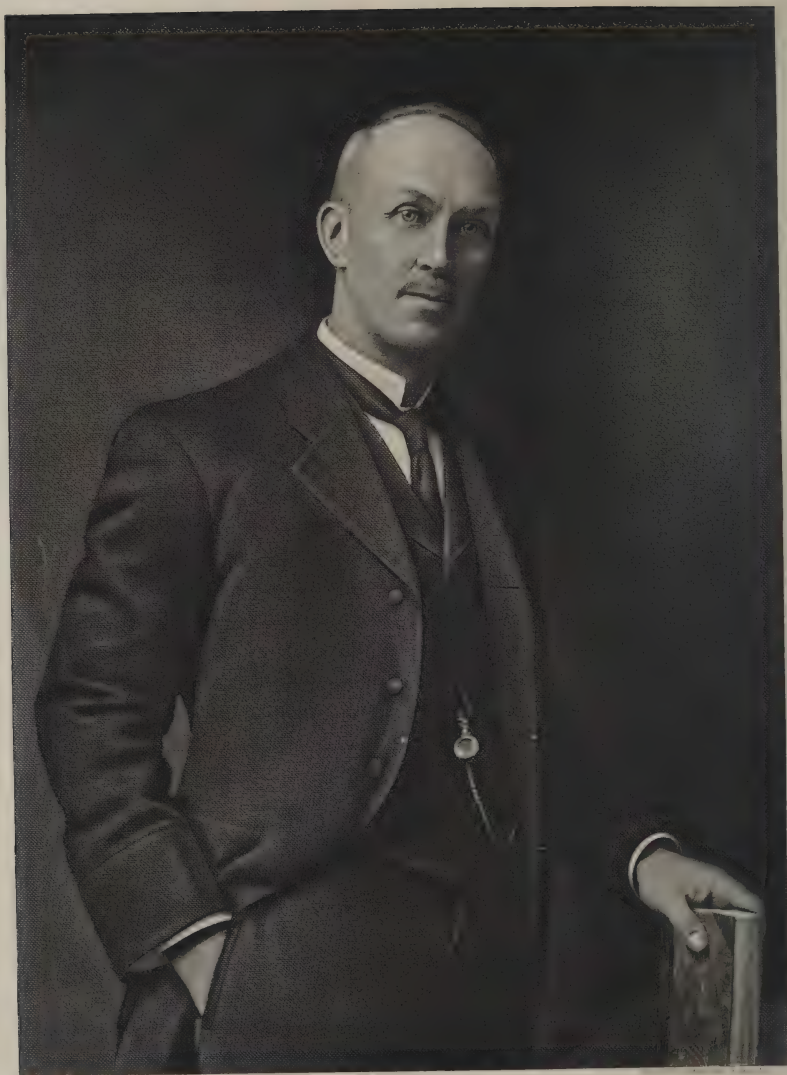
**FREDERICK H. GOOCH.**—In the front rank of progress in the textile industry in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Frederick H. Gooch has attained an enviable position as an executive, and for twenty years has stood at the head of production at the Whittenton Company's Mill in Taunton. He is also a leading executive of various other industrial organizations in this and other sections of the State of Massachusetts and his activities are counting broadly for the general advance. A member of a family long prominent in New England in the various industries, Mr. Gooch comes of a line of men who have handled great interests and have made history in many generations in the New England States. Joseph Gooch, the immigrant ancestor of this family, was one of the original settlers of Kennebunk, Maine. Charles W. Gooch, father of subject of this sketch, was born in Kennebunk, Maine, and was a ship-builder by occupation, a leader in his line of activity and an influential citizen of York county, Maine. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having served in a volunteer regiment of infantry. He died in 1914, having survived for thirty-two years his wife, Julia A. (Emery) Gooch, who was also a native of Kennebunk.

Frederick H. Gooch was born at Kennebunk, Maine, March 14, 1867. His education was acquired in the local schools, and he is a graduate of the Kennebunkport High School, class of 1883. As a young man Mr. Gooch came to the State of Massachusetts, and settling in Essex county, became identified with the Pacific Mills of Lawrence, manufacturers of cotton and woolen goods, and in this connection he rose to the position of assistant superintendent of the dyeing and bleaching department. Resigning in the year 1893, he came to Taunton, Massachusetts, where he entered the employ of the Whittenton Mills in the capacity of dyer. Filling this position for ten years, Mr. Gooch was then made agent of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, which position he has held continuously until the present time (1923). His responsibilities in this connection include the supervision of the entire plant, for he acts as general manager of all departments, and his record of twenty years' activity in this position, with a curtailment of only three days during the entire time, has never been surpassed by a similar concern. In his capacity as agent for this concern, Mr. Gooch holds a widely influential position. He is also treasurer of the New England Brass Company, president of the Taunton Dye and Bleaching Company, president of the Huntington Mills, of Huntington, Massachusetts, and he is also a director of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company.

Always alert to any forward movement in the industry in which he has for so many years been engaged, Mr. Gooch was one of the organizers and founders of the Manufacturers' Association, of Taunton, and it has been his constant care to bring







Alfred H. Hood



this organization up to its highest possible level of usefulness and efficiency. His more personal interests include membership in Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Bristol. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Gooch married, in 1888, Ella S. Webb, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, daughter of Samuel and Alice (Shepard) Webb. Mr. and Mrs. Gooch are the parents of one daughter, Helen P.

#### JOHN HATHAWAY LINDSEY, A. B., M. D.—

In one of the most important branches of modern medical advance, Dr. Lindsey, of Fall River, Massachusetts, holds a noteworthy position as a specialist in Roentgenology. His present connection with the Truesdale Clinic (q. v.) places him among the foremost professional men of the day in Bristol county. Dr. Lindsey is a son of William and Ariadne Maria (Lovell) Lindsey, the father a native of Bristol, Rhode Island, and the mother of Fall River. The Lindsey family traces back in Massachusetts to the year 1632, while the Lovell family also goes back to early times. In every generation these two lines have been prominent both in the professions, in the industries, also in commercial advance, and men of these families have done much for the progress of the land towards which their ancestors sailed with such high hopes and in which they established their pioneer homes in the fear of God.

William Lindsey, father of Dr. Lindsey, was prominent in the cotton industry in Fall River for some years prior to his death, being treasurer of the Weetamoe Mills. He was a man of importance in his day, affiliated with many business and financial interests, a leader in civic progress, and always the approachable, broad-minded, public-spirited citizen. He was for many years president of the Metacom National Bank, and also president of the Fall River Savings Bank. He died in the year 1897, and his passing away was a great loss to the community. His name is remembered by the older residents of this city, and his memory is cherished by many friends, although more than a quarter of a century has passed since his death.

John Hathaway Lindsey was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, October 13, 1870. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he was graduated from high school in the class of 1888. For his course in the liberal arts he entered Brown University, of Providence, Rhode Island, from which he was graduated in the class of 1892 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter for two years he taught school at the Friends' School, now the Moses Brown School, then for one year he was active in business. He took up his medical course at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1899 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Following his

graduation, Dr. Lindsey went abroad and took post-graduate work in Berlin, and then returned to America and served an internship of one year at the Germantown Hospital at Philadelphia. In the spring of 1902 Dr. Lindsey located in Fall River, and for about four years thereafter was engaged in private practice, during a part of this time serving as bacteriologist for the city. In 1906 he left Fall River for a time, and for three years was active on the faculty of the George Washington University, Washington, District of Columbia. Later Dr. Lindsey became resident physician at the Starmont Sanatorium at Washington Grove, Maryland, an institution founded by General George M. Sternburg, United States army, for the treatment of tuberculosis. From 1912 to 1914 Dr. Lindsey was engaged in the general practice of medicine in Washington, District of Columbia, and in the latter year returned to Fall River, where he has since been engaged in practice. Dr. Lindsey became interested in Roentgen's discovery, and as time passed his practice embraced more and more X-Ray work. He now specializes in Roentgenology, and during this period of nine years he has been associated with the Truesdale Clinic and Hospital in this field. The very high standing of this institution in New England well appraises Dr. Lindsey's importance in his field of effort.

In September, 1917, Dr. Lindsey enlisted for service in the World War and was commissioned captain of the United States Army Medical Corps. He served in the United States until May, 1918, when he sailed for France, where he was stationed during the greater part of his stay on the other side at Tours. There he was in charge of Roentgen Ray work at Camp Hospital No. 27, at Tours. He was commissioned major in February, 1919. He returned to the United States in August, 1919 and received his honorable discharge from the service the following month. Dr. Lindsey is a member of the American Medical Association; the American Roentgen Ray Society; the New England Roentgen Ray Society; the Massachusetts State Medical Society; and the Fall River Medical Society. He is also a member of the Alpha Delta Phi College Fraternity, and an associate member of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia. He is president of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society of Fall River, and an earnest worker for the progress of this organization. His religious affiliation is with the First Baptist Church of Fall River, of which he is historian.

Dr. Lindsey married (first), June 15, 1910, Eliza Early Anderson, of Rockville, Maryland, who died May 25, 1914, leaving one son, David Hathaway, born May 14, 1912. On September 14, 1921, Dr. Lindsey married (second) Edna Louise Chappell, of Prince Edward Island, and they have one son, Crawford Williams, born April 4, 1923.

**ALFRED H. HOOD, A. B., LL. B.**—The annals of Fall River, Massachusetts, bear few more distinguished names than that of Alfred H. Hood, who in his worthy and honored career bore constructive relation to many branches of civic, industrial, social

and uplift endeavor, and whose memory is still cherished in every circle in which he was known, although more than a decade has passed since his death. A man of large ability in his chosen profession of the law, and endowed with the breadth of vision which surveys every field of human endeavor and finds good in all effort, Mr. Hood did much for his day and generation, and along many lines his achievements worked permanent benefit for the people. Coming of an old Bristol county family, Mr. Hood was a son of William Perry and Sarah A. (Davis) Hood. His father was for more than fifty years a leading figure in the business affairs of the town of Somerset, Massachusetts, extensively interested in shipping affairs from that port, and also a leader in manufacturing circles, as treasurer of the Somerset Stove Foundry Company. The mother was a daughter of Deacon Nathan and Clarissa (Bowen) Davis, of Somerset.

Alfred H. Hood was born in Somerset, Massachusetts, April 19, 1855. Following his common school course he attended a commercial school in Fall River, devoting the winter of 1870-71, also of 1873, to this branch of training. In the fall of 1874 he entered Pierce Academy, at Middleboro, Massachusetts, where he continued until December, 1875, then completed his preparatory course at Worcester Academy, at Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in the year 1877. Then entering Brown University, at Providence, Rhode Island, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1881, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. There he was a classmate of Justice Charles E. Hughes, late of the United States Supreme Court, present Secretary of State. His choice of a profession determined, Mr. Hood took up his legal studies at Boston University School of Law, and his graduation occurred in 1883. Meanwhile, as a young man, Mr. Hood had been more or less active in the business world. He was associated with his father for a considerable period in the insurance business, the firm name being William P. Hood & Son, and also in the activities of the homestead farm in Somerset. The young man had full charge of both these interests during his attendance at academy and college.

Immediately following his graduation from Boston University School of Law, Mr. Hood became affiliated in practice with Arba N. Lincoln, and on January 1, 1887, this association became a partnership. This partnership was severed only by the sudden death of Mr. Hood, and during its entire history the law firm of Lincoln & Hood has been one of the foremost in Southeastern Massachusetts. The comprehensive business preparation of Mr. Hood's youth, and his long experience in business affairs, gave him a thorough familiarity with affairs and conditions in many fields of activity, which made him a power for justice and righteousness when their legal aspect came under consideration. His connection with the insurance business continued until his death, and he was extensively identified with real estate matters, both as an owner and operator. He was also president of the Somerset

Stove Foundry Company for many years, and a director of the Fall River Co-operative Bank, which he also served as attorney. It was said of Mr. Hood after his death:

Mr. Hood was one of the most enterprising and progressive citizens of the community, a man of seemingly tireless energy, and deeply interested in and an active promoter of all movements for the improvement of this city and of his native town.

No review of Mr. Hood's life would be complete without the enumeration of at least a few of the special instances of his professional and public usefulness. Generally speaking, these were identical, for he accepted public responsibility only in a professional capacity or as the privilege of the citizen who delights in freely giving his talents and energies to meet some public need, never as a political award. The milk hearings, which considered this vital branch of the public food supply early in the year 1912, received progressive impetus from his fearless championship of the need of the people. His chief pleasure, however, was in bringing about the constant improvement in civic conditions which counts for permanent betterment. His great interest in farm activities led him, only a few years prior to his death, to discontinue his residence in Fall River, and to return to Somerset, where he lived on his splendid estate, known as "Spring Hill Farm," the Hood homestead, where throughout his lifetime his leisure was largely spent. He made this one of the finest farms in Bristol county. Mr. Hood had always done much for Somerset along town improvement lines, especially in better roads, and it was through his activities that the movement was brought to a successful issue which placed a drinking fountain opposite his farm in honor of his father, William P. Hood. Perhaps his most significant work in Somerset is the Hood Public Library, which was dedicated on October 1, 1910. This was provided for by his mother's will, in memory of her husband, and it was his labor of love, and one in which he took the deepest satisfaction, to attend to its erection. In fraternal circles Mr. Hood was prominent, having been a member of Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somerset; and the chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Fall River. He was for many years active in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, and was a member of the Brown Alumni Association, of which he was elected president only a few months before his passing. He did much for church federation in Somerset.

The active life which Mr. Hood had spent, with its many outdoor interests, kept him always physically fit, and he often took pleasure in feats of strength or endurance, especially in outdoor work. When the electric wire conduits were being laid in Fall River some years ago, he observed the work in passing, and taking the heavy striking hammer from one of the laborers, he struck drill for a number of minutes in turn with the regular workman, showing no signs of exhaustion. Notwithstanding this vigor and strength, Mr. Hood became affected by heart trouble, and consulted his physicians regarding it, but it was not considered a serious



threat. On the morning of June 2, 1912, as he hastened to catch a car for Fall River, he fell at the steps of the car. It was thought to be a faint, and he was rushed back to his home in an automobile, the best medical talent in reach being called, but he had died almost instantly, at eight-thirty o'clock. His rugged physique and outdoor habits left the public utterly unprepared for such an event, and the mourning was universal, both in Fall River and Somerset. His wide affiliations and great prominence made the news a shock to all throughout this section of the State, and coupled with deep expressions of regret were the most sincere words of appreciation of the man and his achievements. His loss was felt to be of significance to the county and the State, for his consistent support of every forward movement, every good effort, whether of local, sectional, national or world-wide import, was the practical expression of a progressive spirit, the outpouring of a great heart.

Alfred H. Hood married, on April 14, 1885, Carrie W. Ridlon, daughter of Almond S. and Carrie C. (Gardiner) Ridlon, of Somerset. Of their four children three survive: Preston Hart, of further mention; Mildred Davis; and Harold Gardiner.

Preston Hart Hood was born at Somerset, Massachusetts, August 9, 1889. His education was begun in the public schools of Fall River, the family having removed to this city in his boyhood. He is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1908, and his course in the liberal arts was covered at Brown University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His choice of a profession was undoubtedly more or less influenced by his father's example, and entering Harvard University School of Law, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1915, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In the ranks of this profession, however, Preston Hart Hood has taken his own place, although his father's successor as a member of the widely prominent firm of Lincoln & Hood. Immediately following his graduation from law school, he entered the offices of this concern as a junior partner, and although the influence of his father in the professional world was still an active force, the younger man brought to the responsibilities of his career a definite personality, a keen mentality and a high purpose which have carried him to an enviable position in the profession. The recent death of Arba N. Lincoln, for so many years the honored head of the firm, has left Preston H. Hood the senior member of the firm of Hood & Lincoln. Mr. Hood is affiliated with various branches of advance, in which, as well as in the practice of his profession, he is giving to the general progress the highest endeavors of a progressive and forward-looking spirit. He is a director of the Fall River Co-operative Bank, clerk and director of the Universal Shuttle Spring Company, treasurer of the Grove Theatre Company, and succeeded his father as president of the Somerset Stove Foundry until its sale and new organization in 1920. In political affairs he supports the Republican party, although he has never thus far accepted

public responsibilities. Fraternally he is affiliated with Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somerset; of Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston; also of Azab Grotto, of Fall River.

Preston H. Hood married, in 1916, Ruth I. Williams, of Providence, Rhode Island, a lineal descendant of Roger Williams, and they have three children: Preston Hart, Jr.; Phyllis Elizabeth; and Roger Williams.

**RICHARD E. WARNER**—One of the foremost names in the industrial world of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is that of Richard E. Warner, manufacturer and public servant, and prominent in his fraternal and club affiliations. A thoroughly representative man of the day, progressive, forward-looking and alert to every phase of civic and social interest, Mr. Warner's influence is always cast on the side of worthy effort and community advance. A native of this county and a resident of the city of Taunton for many years, Mr. Warner is a son of Joseph Buttrick Warner, who was born in Chelsea, Vermont, and died in 1888. He was a miller and farmer by occupation, a man of the highest integrity, greatly honored and esteemed in the community.

Richard E. Warner was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 6, 1861. His education was begun at the public schools of Dighton, and later attending Bristol Academy, he eventually completed his preparation for his career with a practical course at the Holmes Commercial School of Fall River. Mr. Warner's first experience in the business world was gained in the employ of the Dighton Stove Lining Company, with which concern he was active as a salesman. He was next identified with the Somerset Pottery Company, of Providence, Rhode Island, where he was engaged for about two years. Forty years ago, in 1883, he returned to his native State and county to become associated with White & Walker, the present concern. This enterprise was established in the year 1882 for the purpose of manufacturing stoves, ranges, and heaters. With the reception into the firm of Mr. Warner, the name became White, Walker & Company, continuing thus for about three years, when the present title of the White-Warner Company was assumed. The interest was incorporated in the year 1897, with the following officers: Charles P. White, president; Richard E. Warner, treasurer; and Henry E. Wilber, secretary. During the subsequent period of twenty-six years, these progressive men have gone forward together, expanding and developing the business until now their product is distributed in all parts of the United States and over an extensive foreign territory. The plant covers five acres of ground, largely improved with modern and substantial buildings, especially designed for their purposes, and they employ about three hundred hands. Mr. Warner is identified with many other industrial and commercial organizations in Bristol county, including the Standard Stove Lining Company, a nationally prominent concern, of which he



is president, located in Taunton; the Household Furnishing Company, of New Bedford, Massachusetts; and various other concerns. He is also a director of the Morris Plan Bank, of Taunton.

In the public life of the community Mr. Warner has long borne a constructive and useful part. He was elected alderman from the First Ward for several terms; later, for two years, he served as a member of the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation; also served as license commissioner during his second term as alderman; in 1901 he was elected mayor of Taunton, and served in this, the highest local office in the gift of the people, for three consecutive years; and for the past twelve years has served as county commissioner, an office which he now holds. His work in every branch of public advance has been largely progressive and calculated to advance not only the honor and dignity of the civic body, but the actual daily welfare and security of the people. In fraternal circles Mr. Warner holds membership in King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Sutton Commandery, Knights Templar, of New Bedford; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence. He is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has held various chairs, and of the Improved Order of Red Men. His clubs are: The Winthrop, Bristol, and Segregansett Country.

Richard E. Warner married (first) Ida E. Briggs, of Dighton, Massachusetts, who died in 1889, leaving three children: Joseph E.; Ella E., wife of E. H. Brownell; and Grace M., wife of John M. Paull. Mr. Warner married (second) Mrs. Nettie M. Pierce, who died in 1919; and (third) Annie E. Crane, of Taunton.

**ALBERT A. HARRISON**—At the head of a great enterprise in one of the most practical and indeed vital fields of commercial activity, Albert A. Harrison is a noteworthy figure in the business life of Fall River, Massachusetts. He now stands at the head of the Borden & Remington Company, wholesale and retail dealers in chemicals, dye-stuffs, etc., as president. Albert H. Harrison, father of Albert A. Harrison, was active as a stone mason throughout his lifetime, and was a man of broad public spirit and high character. Albert H. Harrison's mother, Eliza (Dennis) Harrison, was descended from Robert Dennis, who bought land in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, in 1656. Robert Dennis, who married Sarah Howland, daughter of Henry Howland, of Duxbury, one of the twenty-six original purchasers of Freetown, gave the land for the Quaker Hill Meeting House in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, and he and his wife are buried there. Robert (2) Dennis, son of Robert (1) and Sarah (Howland) Dennis, married Susannah Briggs, whose maternal grandmother was Mary Borden, daughter of Richard Borden, first of the Borden line in this country and the possessor of great estates in Headcorne, Kent County, England. Two of his ancestors who took part in the Revolutionary War were

Thomas Terry and Amos Snell. Amos Snell, another ancestor, who was born in 1709, and removed from Bridgewater to Freetown, married Sarah Free love in the latter place. She was descended from Morris Free love, who married Elizabeth Wilbur, daughter of Samuel Wilbur, and granddaughter of Samuel Wilbur. Samuel Wilbur married Hannah Porter, born in 1665, the daughter of John and Margaret (Odding) Porter, who removed from Roxbury, Massachusetts, to Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Margaret (Odding) Porter was the widow of George Odding and the mother of Sarah Odding, who married Philip Sherman, of Dedham, England. Thus Margaret (Odding) Porter's daughter, Hannah Porter, is the ancestor of Albert H. Harrison, while her daughter, Sarah Odding, through marriage with Philip Sherman, is the ancestor of Albert H. Harrison's wife, Sarah Borden (Sherman) Harrison, of Westport, Massachusetts. The Sherman line is traced back to the thirteenth century, through Mrs. Harrison's father, Kempton Sherman, Philip Sherman's father, Albert Sherman.

Albert A. Harrison was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, November 22, 1873. His education was begun in the Davis' Grammar School, of Fall River, and as early as his fourteenth year he became a wage earner, his first position being that of office boy in the firm of Brayley & Swift, attorneys-at-law, Henry K. Brayley of this firm now being a judge of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts. While active in this office, Mr. Harrison studied bookkeeping at Holmes Commercial College, Fall River, his employers excusing him from duty during certain hours when he was given his lessons for the day, which he studied at home and during idle moments at the office. Later, Mr. Harrison entered the employ of Borden & Remington, as assistant bookkeeper; this was in the year 1888 and it was not long before he was advanced to bookkeeper. Rising steadily he became commercial salesman, then manager of a department, and in the year 1920 became general manager of the business. This was the only one step short of the head, and in the year 1921 he took that step, becoming the controlling stockholder of the concern. This company, which was formerly a partnership, was incorporated in the year 1904 as the Borden & Remington Company. This important business had its inception in the year 1837, when Hale Remington & Company bought out Dr. Nathan Durfee's stock of "Drugs, Medicines and Choice Family Groceries," to quote from an article drawn up at that time. The firm of Hale Remington & Company began business in Borland's block and from this corner drug and grocery store has developed the concern which must be acknowledged the largest in its field in this city. The company now carries among its many lines such products as building materials, heavy chemicals, dye-stuffs, starches, lubricating oils, mill supplies and a wide range of allied products.

As president of this concern, which under his hand as general manager gained its latter extensive growth, Mr. Harrison holds a foremost position in

the business life of Bristol county and indeed of Southeastern Massachusetts. He is one of the leaders in all that pertains to business advance, and is affiliated with the world of finance as a director of the Fall River National Bank. He is also connected with the industrial activities of this city, as president of the Crystal Spring Bleaching & Dyeing Company and a director of the Fall River Electric Light Company. He is a member of the National Republican Club, of New York, and deeply interested in all that pertains to political advance, although he has never had leisure to accept the honors of public office. Fraternally Mr. Harrison is affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, No. 25, Knights Templar; the Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and also of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the board of directors of the Quequechan Club, secretary of the Fall River Country Club, and also chairman of the Greens committee of this club, a member of the Wamsutta Club of New Bedford, the Rhode Island Country Club and the Acoaxet Club. He is a member of the Unitarian church, which he serves as moderator.

Mr. Harrison married, June 20, 1909, Cora B. Vestal, of Fall River, daughter of Tilghman R. Vestal, of North Carolina, a member of the Friends' faith, whose remarkable early life is described in Cartland's "Southern Heroes," and of Sarah (Luther) Vestal, a lineal descendant of Captain John Luther, one of the purchasers of Taunton in 1639. Mrs. Harrison's forbears include Henry Brightman, freeman of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, in 1670, who bought land from the Indians from Taunton river to North pond and from Turner street north ninety poles—or as far as Assonet. The early Brightmans operated a ferry at Brightman street begun by Cancorbittant, the Indian Chief. Hathaway, Cory and Brightman continued to own and operate the ferry with the Slades. They sold out to the Slades just before Slade's Ferry Bridge was built. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison have three children: Kempton; Richmond; Virginia. The family home is at No. 795 Rock street.

**FRANK LUSCOMBE TINKHAM** has for forty years been a member of the Massachusetts bar. He is a son of Abel B. Tinkham, who was born in Middleboro, Plymouth county, Massachusetts, and was a mechanic by occupation. A man of high ideals and of the loftiest integrity, he bore a useful part in the progress of the city of Taunton, of which he was for many years a resident, and died in 1893. The mother, Mary E. (Luscombe) Tinkham, was born in Taunton, and survived her husband for many years, passing away in 1912.

Frank Luscombe Tinkham was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, May 18, 1856. His early education was received in the local public schools, and he is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1875. Entering Brown University, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1880, with the

degree of Bachelor of Philosophy, then took up his professional studies at the Boston University School of Law. Admitted to the bar of his native State in 1883, Mr. Tinkham has continued the practice of law in his native city of Taunton without interruption since. He is interested in various industrial and financial enterprises, and is a director of the Attleboro Gas Company, the Bristol County Trust Company, the Taunton Gas Company, and a trustee of the Taunton Savings Bank. He has never taken a leading part in public affairs, but has served on the school committee for about fifteen years. He is further a member of the Old Colony Historical Society, of which he is president, and was a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he was treasurer and a director. His religious affiliation is with the Winthrop Street Baptist Church, and he was superintendent of the Sunday School of that church for over thirty years.

Mr. Tinkham married, in 1895, Addie Bradford Hodges, of Taunton, Massachusetts. They are the parents of three children: Ruth F., R. Earl, and A. Stuart.

**FRED L. HERVEY**—The Hervey family, of which Fred L. Hervey, of Fall River, Massachusetts, is a representative in the twelfth recorded generation, trace definitely to Humphrey Hervey, who died January 4, 1526, his ancestor believed to have been Herveus de Bourges or Hervey of Bourges, who came to England with the Conqueror and was granted a great barony in County Suffolk. Herveus de Bourges was a grandson of Geoffrey, third Viscount of Bourges, an ancient city of France, who in 1012 rebuilt the Abbey of St. Ambrose at Bourges. The surname Hervey is a changed form of Herveus, as is Harvey.

(I) Humphrey Harvey, as he wrote the name, lived at Brockley, Somersetshire, England, owning there, besides other estates, one-third of the Manor of Brockley.

(II) Turner Hervey, son of Humphrey Harvey, was born in 1465, and was a noted archer, reputed to be the mightiest in England; "at his death there was no man in the country who could spring his bow." After a battle in which Turner Hervey had distinguished himself by his valor, his King, Henry VIII, bestowed an escutcheon, and as late as 1640 no change had been made in the coat-of-arms, which is as follows:

*Arms*—Sable on a chevron between three long bows argent as many pheons of the field.

*Crest*—A leopard or, languid gules, holding in a paw three arrows proper.

*Motto*—Faites de que l'honneur exige.

(III) William Hervey, son of Turner Hervey, was an official of the King, and was deputized on June 7, 1557, to go to France to declare war.

(IV) William (2) Hervey, son of William (1) Hervey, was born in Somersetshire, England, about 1560, and lived in Burghwalter in that shire.

(V) Thomas Hervey, son of William (2) Hervey, was born in Somersetshire, England, about 1585, and died there in 1647. He had sons, William and



Thomas, both of whom came to New England and settled at Taunton, Massachusetts, both founding families.

(VI) William (3) Hervey, son of Thomas Hervey, was born in Somersetshire, England, in 1614, came with his brother, Thomas, to New England in 1636, and there died in 1691. After a year they settled in Dorchester and later were among the founders of Cohannet, as Taunton was first called. He was a man of importance, held many offices of the town and was a member of its first Board of Selectmen.

(VII) Thomas (2) Harvey (as he wrote the name), son of William (3) Hervey, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, December 18, 1641, died at Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1728, having been a resident of that town from his fifth year. He too was a man of importance, held several offices and was a member of the first "train band" in the town. He married Elizabeth Willis, daughter of Deacon John and Elizabeth (Hodgkins) Willis.

(VIII) William (4) Harvey, son of Thomas (2) Harvey, was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, January 2, 1681. He was a member of the first "train band" in 1700, and of the first company of "Foot" in 1710. He was a soldier in Queen Anne's War in 1704 and 1706, and was a farmer by occupation at what is now Berkley. He married Hope Briggs, daughter of Jonathan Briggs, of Taunton.

(IX) Jonathan Harvey, son of William (4) Harvey, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1712, and died in 1797, his grave in the burial ground at Crooked Horn Plan, nine miles from Taunton. He was a proprietor of Taunton in 1739, and in 1776 signed the "Association Test," an act of loyalty that renders his descendants eligible to the patriotic societies. In 1790 he moved to Easton to be with his son Elisha. He married Freeloove Hicks, daughter of James Hicks.

(X) James Harvey, son of Jonathan Harvey, was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1760, and died in the State of North Carolina in 1820. He signed the "Association Test" in 1776 and was loyal to the Colonial cause. He married Bethana Hoskins, daughter of Abiel Hoskins, son of William Hoskins, son of the pioneers, William and Ann (Hinde) Hoskins, of Plymouth.

(XI) John Calvin Hervey (as he spelled his name), son of James and Bethana (Hoskins) Harvey, did not accompany his father South nor did the family, they living at Fall River, Massachusetts, and in New Bedford. He was a farmer by occupation. He married Annie L. Lewis, of Cape Cod family and birth.

(XII) Fred L. Hervey, son of John Calvin and Annie L. (Lewis) Hervey, was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, June 9, 1855. He attended the public schools of New Bedford and Acushnet until fourteen years of age, then began earning his own living by service in the lumber camps and mills. A year later he became a carpenter's apprentice, and after completing his years of service attended Holmes' Commercial College in Fall River, and for two years he was quartermaster on a boat of

the Fall River line. His first factory position was with the Union Belt Company, there continuing until he had risen to the superintendency of that company's plant. For about twenty-five years he continued with the Union Belt Company, then resigned to accept the position of general superintendent of the plants of Fairweather and La Due, belting manufacturers of New York City, with numerous factories throughout the United States, all of which were under the supervision of Mr. Hervey. For five years he remained in that responsible position, becoming widely known as an authority in belt manufacture and plant management. In 1905 he resigned and established his present business, F. L. Hervey & Company, oak tanned leather belting and roller covering, strapping and loop pickers manufacturers of Fall River, Massachusetts. He located his original factory plant on Blossom avenue, a location he occupied until 1911, then built his present plant at No. 373 New Boston road. In 1919 he established a branch plant in New Bedford which he operates along the same general lines. The company of which Mr. Hervey is the sole owner manufactures a special water proof belt, also makes a specialty of extracting oil from belting, and are dealers in lace leather, round belting and second hand belts.

In addition to his prosperous manufacturing business, Mr. Hervey is proprietor of the "Ideal Wet Wash," one of the leading laundries of Fall River. He is a director of the Fall River Trust Company, Fall River Chamber of Commerce, the Machinery Club of New York City, King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, the Rotary, Fall River Country, Quequechan, Mattapoisett Country, Brookfield Country and the Rhode Island Country clubs. In politics he is a Republican.

Fred L. Hervey married, in December, 1878, Mary Lydia Allen, of Fall River, daughter of Leander and Mary (Hardy) Allen, of Fall River; her father a stone cutter of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Hervey are the parents of three daughters: Elizabeth, wife of Dr. James Hyde, of Fall River; Myrabell, wife of John Paul Smith, of Fall River; Charlotte, widow of Dr. Benjamin Edwards, a former leading physician of Glen Cove, Long Island.

**DWIGHT ELEAZER CONE, M. D.**—For nearly a half century active in the practice of medicine, and during the greater part of that time in Fall River, Massachusetts, Dr. Dwight Eleazer Cone is known as one of the oldest physicians now practicing in Bristol county, and still is one of the most active and successful. His genial smile and constant alertness to the interests of the moment, especially along the line of his profession, give him still the appearance of the man scarcely middle age, and with his long experience he is one of the most broadly useful men of the day. Dr. Cone is a son of Benjamin Cone, who was born in Pittsfield, New York, and throughout his lifetime was active as a farmer in Chenango county, New York. The mother, S. Rosette (Beebe) Cone, was born in





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North Brookfield, and both are now long since deceased.

Dwight Eleazer Cone was born at North Brookfield, New York, August 13, 1854. Reared on the farm, he first attended the district schools near the homestead, then at the age of twelve years entered the New Berlin Academy. Upon the completion of his course at that institution, the young man took up teaching and was active along that line for about five terms. Meanwhile his efforts were centered upon the accumulation of funds sufficient to warrant his beginning the study of medicine. This he accomplished, and in 1872 entered upon his professional preparations under the preceptorship of his uncle, Dr. Frank D. Beebe, of Hamilton, Madison county, New York, a noteworthy and successful physician at that time. During the scholastic year of 1873-74 Dr. Cone attended Albany Medical College, then completed his studies at the University of the City of New York in the medical department. Only two medical students being graduated in the year 1875 from Somers, Connecticut, and Dr. Cone being one of them, they received their diplomas with the class of 1876, but in the meantime received their certificates and were permitted to practice medicine immediately following the date which should have witnessed their graduation. Dr. Cone located in Coventry, New York, in that year (1875), remaining for about three years, then in 1878 removed to Portsmouth, Rhode Island. There he remained for four years, then in 1882 settled permanently in Fall River. Here he has been active in the practice of medicine continuously since, principally following general lines, but specializing more or less in gynaecology, in which branch he has served the Union Hospital for the past twenty-two years. Dr. Cone's success has not only carried him to a high position in the profession, but has given him the affection and confidence of the people, many of whom ministered to him since their childhood now looking up to him as advisor and friend, as well as physician.

Dr. Cone's institutional work has been of a distinctly constructive nature. He was one of the founders of the old Fall River Hospital in 1886, this being the institution which preceded the present Union Hospital. He is a member of the American Medical Association; of the Massachusetts State Medical Society; and was the founder and is still a member of the Fall River Medical Society. He is also an honorary member of the Chenango County, New York, Medical Society. For many years Dr. Cone has been one of the most active men in Masonic work in the city of Fall River. He is past master of Naragansett Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; past high priest of Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; past exalted commander of the Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, No. 25, Knights Templar; and he is past grand king of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons; also a member of the Rhode Island Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, of Providence, Rhode Island; of Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; past monarch

of Azab Grotto, No. 29; past grand monarch of Supreme Council, Mystic Order Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, 1920-21.

Dr. Cone married (first) in 1875, Mrs. Nancy Adelia Merritt, of Coventry, New York, and they were the parents of three daughters: Jane Louise, now deceased, who was the wife of N. C. Luscomb, of Tiverton, Rhode Island, and left one daughter, Jane Louise; Susan Rosette, wife of Charles A. Hambly, of Newport, Rhode Island; and Frances Adelia, wife of William S. Whitworth, of Auburn, Rhode Island. The first Mrs. Cone died in October, 1913, leaving her husband and the daughters above mentioned, also two sons by a former marriage: Dr. S. V. Merritt, of Fall River; and W. P. Merritt, superintendent of the Brightman Street Bridge, of Fall River. Dr. Cone married (second) in March, 1919, Mrs. M. Abby (Slade) Sias.

**JOHN REED WILLIAMS**—The man who founds a useful and successful business enterprise not only builds for himself an enduring monument but he also makes to the economic prosperity of the community a contribution which continues to live and grow and extend its helpful influence long after he himself has left the scene of his active labors. Many of those still unborn at the time of his passing later share in the material profits of the organization, and hundreds of others may find in its well-managed activities the opportunity not only for the earning of a livelihood but the means for economic, intellectual and civic advancement. One of the citizens of Bristol county, Massachusetts, who has thus contributed to the welfare of his native city is the late John Reed Williams, founder of the Williams Stove Lining Company, of Taunton, Massachusetts, whose death in 1890 removed from the stove lining industry a pioneer whose activities had paved the way for the development and growth of this branch of industrial enterprise. Mr. Williams spent his entire life in the city of Taunton, where his life was an open book to his many friends and where he won the highest esteem not only of his many personal friends but of all with whom he was associated in business, social and civic connections.

John Reed Williams was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, in June, 1817, and died in the city of his birth in January, 1890. He received his education in Taunton, and upon the completion of his educational training, and before his marriage, he went to Savannah, Georgia, and was superintendent of a brick yard. He then returned to Taunton and began the manufacture of red brick. In 1846 he established the concern now known as the Williams Stove Lining Company and to the time of his death continued at the head of the enterprise. A man of large ability and resourceful nature, he carried the enterprise through the early years of its existence, when adverse conditions created discouraging periods and many other concerns fell by the way. The concern, which was one of the first of its kind in the city of Taunton, engaged in the manufacture of fire-brick and stove-linings, and



throughout the seventy-seven years of its existence its growth has been steady. At the present time (1923) it is rated as one of the oldest and largest of its kind in the United States. Mr. Williams took his sons, John Gilmore and Joseph S., into the organization as soon as each had completed his education, and through practical experience and his wide advice and counsel they were prepared to meet the responsibilities which came to them with the death of the father in 1890. John Reed Williams gave to his day and generation the constructive efforts of the man of large administrative ability and he is still remembered among the older circles in Taunton as one of the outstanding pioneers of earlier days. Through the business which he founded, as well as through the personal contacts of his active career, his influence continues to live and grow.

Mr. Williams married, at Taunton, Sarah Pitts, who was born in Taunton (now Berkley), Massachusetts, in 1819, and died in Taunton in February, 1911, daughter of Abner and Eleanor (Sanford) Pitts. John Reed and Sarah (Pitts) Williams were the parents of two sons: Joseph S., and John Gilmore, sketches of whom will be found on the same page; and three daughters: Sarah E., who is single; E. Louisa, deceased, who was the wife of Edward L. Bass, of Vermont; and Sophia P., who is single.

**JOSEPH S. WILLIAMS**—A venerable figure in the industrial life of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Joseph S. Williams, who has for many years been at the head of the Williams Stove Lining Company, Inc., one of the oldest and largest concerns of its kind in the United States. Affiliated thus with the stove industry of Taunton throughout his entire career, Mr. Williams holds an honored and distinguished position in executive circles in the industrial world of Massachusetts.

Joseph S. Williams was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, February 5, 1847, son of John Reed and Sarah (Pitts) Williams (see preceding sketch). His early education was acquired in the public schools of the city and he completed his studies at Bristol Academy. As a young man he became identified with his father in the manufacture of fire-brick and stove-linings and has continued until the present time as a member of the organization. Trained under his father's efficient leadership and placed in a responsible executive position early in life, he has proved a worthy son of an honored father, and his activities in his present position, as the head of this business, have contributed in a marked degree to the advance of the stove industry in Bristol county. The plant which is on Taunton river, at the end of West Water street, has increased in size until it occupies a space of about four acres and gives employment to about fifty people. Its product goes to all parts of the United States. As the head of this significant and ever growing interest, Mr. Williams is a member of the National Manufacturers' Association, the Taunton Manufacturers'

Association, and the Associated Industries, also the Taunton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Williams is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston, Massachusetts; and Massachusetts Consistory, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is also a member of the Winthrop and Bristol clubs of Taunton, Massachusetts. His choice of recreative interests follows the line of water sports, and he has long been identified with the Taunton Yacht Club, of which for five years he was commodore. He is also a member of the Rhode Island Yacht Club, and is widely known in yachting circles. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

**JOHN GILMORE WILLIAMS**—As the executive head of the Williams Stove Lining Company, Inc., of Taunton, Massachusetts, John Gilmore Williams is taking a leading part in the progress of the industrial world of Taunton, and his usefulness is widely recognized. Trained in this industry under the instruction of his father, the founder of the concern, Mr. Williams has borne executive responsibility in this connection for many years and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

The branch of the Williams family to which Mr. Williams belongs traces its descent from Richard and Frances (Dighton) Williams, the line being traced through their son, Joseph; his son, Richard; his son, Colonel George; his son, Captain George; his son, Francis; his son, John Reed, father of John G. Williams, who is therefore of the eighth generation. Mr. Williams is also a descendant of the Sandford, King, Hodges, Dean, Leonard, and Gilmore families, and of Thomas Rogers of the "Mayflower."

Born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 25, 1859, son of John Reed Williams, founder of the enterprise now known as the Williams Stove Lining Company, and of Sarah (Pitts) Williams, John Gilmore Williams acquired his education in the public schools of his native city, and upon the completion of his high school course became associated with his father and elder brother in the manufacture of fire-brick and stove linings. The business, which has continued to grow throughout the seventy-seven years of its existence, is located at the end of West Water street, on the Taunton river. When the founder and head of the business was removed by death, the name was changed to that of the Williams Stove Lining Company, and in 1906 the concern was incorporated under the same title. The plant now covers about four acres of ground, largely improved, requires the services of many employees, and sends its products to all parts of the United States. Besides being one of the oldest concerns in this section of the United States, it is also one of the largest. Mr. Williams is identified with the local and national manufacturers' associa-

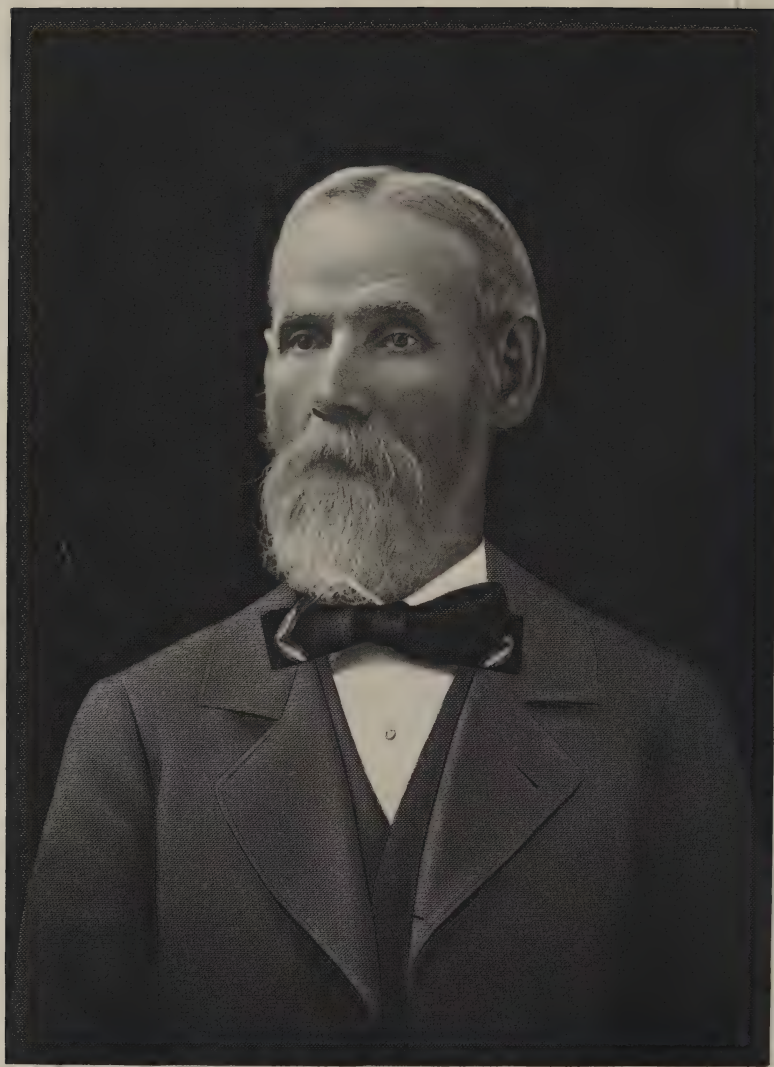


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tions and the Associated Industries, and his fraternal affiliations include membership in Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence; Boston Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of the thirty-second degree; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Winthrop Club and of the Segreganett Country Club, and a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Williams married, in 1892, Bertha Frances Walker, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Samuel H. and Mary Frances (Newell) Walker (see following sketch). Mr. and Mrs. Williams are the parents of Gladys Gilmore Williams.

**SAMUEL HORACE WALKER**—A man of high character and exemplary life, Samuel Horace Walker was to acquaintances, neighbors and friends the same kindly, generous-hearted man that his family knew and loved so well. His long and successful business life was marked by energy, enterprise and thoroughly honorable dealing, his love of justice and fairness being a passion. His life was one of usefulness, and when he fell suddenly into the sleep which knows no awakening, the city of Taunton lost a good citizen.

Captain Walker, as he was more commonly known, was of ancient New England family, a descendant of "Widow Walker," he being of the ninth American generation, his line of descent being: (I) "Widow Walker;" (II) James; (III) James; (IV) Nathan; (V) William; (VI) William; (VII) Abathar; (VIII) Abathar; (IX) Samuel H. Walker; (X) Bertha Frances (Mrs. John Gilmore Williams). His ancestry touches the Richmond, Read, Tobey, Dean, Leonard and Brooke families of New England, and one of his lines of descent leads to Thomas Rogers, of the "Mayflower."

Samuel H. Walker was born in Dighton, Massachusetts, May 14, 1838, and died in Taunton, December 3, 1907, and there obtained his education. His first entrance into business life was made in association with his brother, they founding a tack manufacturing business in a small way, which, under the careful management of the brothers, grew into a very profitable enterprise. After being in that business for several years, Mr. Walker left Dighton and located in Taunton, where he entered the office employ of Staples & Phillips, later becoming extensively engaged in shipping, being manager, agent and one of the largest owners of a fleet of thirteen vessels. Later, he retired from that business, and until his retirement a few years prior to his death, he successfully conducted a florist business in Taunton. He was a good business man, and all of his business undertakings were profitably conducted.

Mr. Walker was a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar,

of Providence; and Boston Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he held the thirty-second degree. He was also a noble of Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society.

Samuel H. Walker married, September 8, 1859, Mary Frances Newell, daughter of John P. and Mary Tinkham (Babbitt) Newell. Mrs. Walker survived her husband, as did their only daughter, Bertha Frances, who married John Gilmore Williams (see preceding sketch).

**EDGAR W. STURGIS**—Many longer records have been written than that which enumerates the activities of Edgar W. Sturgis, for his life could be summed up in a very few words. He became identified with the H. L. Davis Company immediately following the completion of his education and is still with the same concern. A period of more than forty years of unchanging effort, unswerving fidelity to a single interest—this may be summed up as above stated, in a very few words, but its significance, not only to the man and the enterprise with which he is connected, but as an example of energy, perseverance and sustained endeavor, makes it of unquestioned value to the present generation and also to those who in later years shall read these pages.

The Sturgis family is an old one of Barnstable county, Massachusetts, and Dennis C. Sturgis, his father, lived to be one of the oldest residents of that section. He was a sea captain and mariner and had the distinction of being the holder of the Post Cane. He lived to the great age of ninety-seven years, and died in 1922. The mother, Mary (Williams) Sturgis, also a native of Barnstable county, Massachusetts, died at the age of eighty-nine years.

Edgar W. Sturgis was born in Barnstable county, Massachusetts, April 19, 1858. His education was acquired in the local public schools, and as a young man he came to Taunton, where he entered the employ of H. L. Davis, then, as now, one of the leading firms in interior and exterior decorations. This concern was established in the year 1875 by H. L. Davis, and continued under his name until 1893, when its title became the H. L. Davis Company. On January 19, 1901, the concern was incorporated without further change of name, the executive officers becoming, as at present, E. W. Sturgis, president; I. H. Bosworth, treasurer; and A. C. Lewis, secretary. During the passing of the years they extended their operations to include the sale of supplies of various kinds, also toys, and with recent years the interest has become a very important one, the scope of its operations extending throughout Bristol county. They still make a specialty of interior decorating, and distribute supplies for work of this nature at wholesale and retail, and their toy department has become one of the most attractive and complete to be found anywhere in this State. They employ about twenty-five hands, and besides being the oldest firm in this



general field, they are considered by many to be the largest in Southeastern Massachusetts. On June 1, 1923, this company removed to a new modern building which they erected at Nos. 16-18 Trescott street. Mr. Sturgis is also interested in various branches of commercial, industrial and financial progress, acting as a director of the Morris Plan Bank, also of the Bristol County Savings Bank, and trustee of the City Investment Trust Company. Fraternally he is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; also Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Taunton Rotary, and he is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is vice-president and a director. He is a member of the Universalist church.

Mr. Sturgis married, on February 28, 1882, Mary A. Bosworth, of South Carver, Massachusetts, a daughter of James H. and Susan A. Bosworth. Mr. and Mrs. Sturgis are the parents of two children: 1. Ethel May, the wife of Walter Gorham. 2. Henry W., born in 1898; he enlisted in the World War, was sent to Camp Dix, where he died, giving his life for the cause as truly as if he had fallen in battle.

**HEZEKIAH A. BRAYTON**—Among the very oldest of American families is that which bears the name of Brayton, which was established in the Colony of Rhode Island some time before the middle of the seventeenth century, probably in the year 1643, when its founder was received as an inhabitant of Portsmouth. The members of the Brayton house have been extremely prominent in connection with the development of Southeastern Massachusetts, particularly with that region centering about the city of Fall River, and the early territory which went to form that city. The great industries which have grown up thereabout are not a little indebted to the enterprise and intelligence of the early Braytons, various members of the family having been numbered among the most prominent business leaders, financiers, and promoters of the colossal milling industries of the region.

*Brayton Arms*—Azure, two chevrons between as many mullets or.

*Crest*—A mullet or.

*Motto*—*Catus semper viwet.*

(I) Francis Brayton, immigrant ancestor and founder of the family in America, was born in England in 1611-12. He came to this country as a young man, and was admitted as an inhabitant of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, as early as the year 1643. Twelve years later, in 1655, he was made a freeman, and in 1662-63 was chosen to represent Portsmouth in the General Court. He served as deputy to the General Court in 1669-70, 1678, and 1684. In 1667 he enlisted in the troop of horse which was maintained for the common defense, and generally played an important part in the life of the community.

Francis Brayton married Mary ———, who died

about the year 1692. He died in the same year. Children: 1. Francis, died in 1718. 2. Mary, married Joseph Davol. 3. Stephen, mentioned below. 4. Martha, married John Pearce. 5. Elizabeth, married Jared Bourne. 6. Sarah, married Thomas Gatchell.

(II) Stephen Brayton, son of Francis and Mary Brayton, was a resident of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, probably all his life, although the date of his birth is not known, and it is possible that he may have been a native of England. He was a freeman in the year 1678, and a member of the grand jury in 1687.

Stephen Brayton married, March 8, 1679, Ann Tallman, daughter of Peter and Ann Tallman, of Portsmouth, and died in 1692. Children: 1. Mary, born February 12, 1680. 2. Elizabeth, born December 8, 1681. 3. Ann, born July 6, 1683. 4. Preserved, mentioned below. 5. Stephen, born August 2, 1686. 6. Israel, died about 1756.

(III) Preserved Brayton, son of Stephen and Ann (Tallman) Brayton, was born in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, March 8, 1685. He became a freeman at Portsmouth in 1706, the year in which he attained his majority, and lived there until 1714, when he purchased one hundred and thirty acres of land in the settlement of Swansea, Massachusetts. He made that place his home during the remainder of his life. This farm came to be known as the Brayton homestead, by which name it is called to the present day. It is situated on the west bank of the Taunton river, in what is now the town of Somerset, which was set off from Swansea in the year 1790. The first definite agreement in regard to his purchase of this farm from William Little was embodied in articles drawn up and signed July 21, 1714. The terms of agreement between the two proved satisfactory, and the deed was signed and transferred on March 2, 1714-15. Evidence is uncertain as to when the Brayton homestead was built. Elizabeth Hitchcock Brayton, in her interesting sketch of the "Brayton Homestead," published in 1914, says:

\* \* \* we find evidence of its foundation upon which site has been placed a stone, presumably the old stepping stone of the original dwelling. "The Great Room," "in the Southeast corner," "the chamber over said rooms," "the great door," "through the entry and up the stairs to the chamber overhead," "to cook in the Kitchen," "and store meat and sauce in the cellar," form for us only a fragmentary description of that first house upon the hill to which Preserved Brayton brought his wife and two older children, and which was the birthplace of his younger children. In 1724 Preserved Brayton enlarged his farm by purchasing of William Slade the south half of the original lot 13 of the Shawomet purchase, and half the roadway between the 13th and 14th lots, thus making the whole of the Homestead Farm about one hundred and sixty-eight acres.

The original lot was No. 12. Miss Brayton continues:

The total purchase price of the farm, as paid by Preserved Brayton, was, therefore, thirteen hundred and twenty pounds. Assuming that the colonial pound (whose value today would be about three and one-third dollars) was used in these transactions, the amount paid for the Homestead Farm would be about forty-four hundred dollars of our money. Preserved Brayton was a true lover of the soil, and for forty-seven years after his removal to Swansea, as we shall call it now, was spared to enjoy the fruits of his labors upon the place he termed the Homestead Farm, all unconscious of adopting a name that would be perpetuated for many generations. At the time of his death in Swansea, May 21, 1761, Preserved Brayton was an extensive landholder. \* \* \*



*H. A. Bryant*









Brayton

He owned in addition to the Homestead Farm another farm in Swansea, besides property in Freetown, Rehoboth and Smithfield, Rhode Island.

Preserved Brayton married, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, Content Coggeshall, daughter of John (2) Coggeshall, and granddaughter of John (1) Coggeshall, one of the first settlers of Rhode Island, and one of the foremost figures in the early history of the colony. (See Coggeshall III). Preserved Brayton and his wife died in Swansea, the former on May 21, 1761, and the latter in 1759.

(IV) Israel Brayton, son of Preserved and Content (Coggeshall) Brayton, was born on the Homestead Farm, October 13, 1727. He inherited the Homestead Farm on his father's death, and like his father was an extensive landowner and prosperous farmer. In addition to the farm, he acquired property in Swansea, including a shipyard, and land he purchased in 1766 from Samuel Lee. In 1759 he bought of Richard and Susanna Gifford a large farm of one hundred and eighty acres in Tiverton, which at the time of his death he gave to his son, Baulton Brayton. Israel Brayton spent his entire life in Swansea, and was a well-known figure in its affairs for several decades.

Israel Brayton married (first), April 19, 1752, Mary Perry, who, tradition claims, was a relative of Oliver Hazard Perry. They were the parents of nine children, among them John, mentioned below. Israel Brayton married (second) Mrs. Mary Read Bowers. He died in Swansea in 1791.

*Perry Arms*—Quarterly, gules and or, on a bend argent, three lions passant, proper.

*Crest*—A lion's head proper, ducally crowned or.

(V) John Brayton, son of Israel and Mary (Perry) Brayton, was born in Swansea, Massachusetts, April 12, 1762. Too young to serve during the Revolution, he nevertheless was old enough to see and remember the hardships of the times. The Brayton homestead was on the route of travel. Many of the troops on their way to Tiverton crossed the Taunton river at Slade's Ferry and thus came very near to the home of his father. One night a company camped not far distant, and the next morning, in filling their canteens, drew the well dry at the Homestead Farm. One canteen, accidentally left, is now in existence, and is in the possession of one of the present owners of the Homestead Farm, the great-great-grandson of Israel Brayton. The war brought great deprivation to the inhabitants of the towns round about, and in 1779 there was a great scarcity of provisions, and these sold at very high prices. The following winter the intense cold caused much suffering, and for two months the ice completely locked the rivers and bay. The price of wood advanced to twenty dollars per cord and corn sold at four silver dollars a bushel. It was during this winter that John Brayton, not yet eighteen years of age, "Loaded wood upon sleds at his farm and with oxen drew the same in a direct line upon the ice to Newport." On August 2, 1780, when eighteen years of age, John Brayton enlisted in Captain Peleg Peck's company of Colonel Thomas Carpenter's regiment.

On September 21, 1782, John Brayton married Sarah Bowers, the daughter of Philip Bowers, a lineal descendant of three of the Pilgrim band who came on

the "Mayflower" on her first voyage in 1620. They were the parents of eleven children. On the death of his father, about 1791, John Brayton inherited the Brayton homestead, and resided there until his death. It was during his lifetime that Somerset was set apart from Swansea, and in the former town he died May 12, 1829.

About 1796, finding the old house too small for his rapidly growing family, John Brayton erected the present house. The original house was left standing, and early in the nineteenth century part of it was moved near the new house.

John Brayton was one of the first members of the Methodist church in Swansea, joining soon after its organization, and remaining throughout his life a useful and influential factor in its affairs. He contributed generously to its support, and tendered cordial hospitality to the itinerant ministers. At the centenary celebration of that church, held March 2, 1902, as a memorial to John Brayton, his grandchildren and great-grandchildren gave to the church the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, the income to be used for the support of the gospel.

(VI) Israel (2) Brayton, son of John and Sarah (Bowers) Brayton, was born in Somerset, Massachusetts, on the Brayton homestead, July 29, 1792. He spent his entire life there, and died November 5, 1866. In early life, however, he had for a time resided in Swansea and Fall River, and although he returned to the Homestead Farm on the death of his father, he retained his associations in these places. He continued his membership in the Central Congregational Church of Fall River, and was one of its most regular attendants. The "Fall River News," of November 9, 1866, describes the funeral services of Israel Brayton and pays tribute to him as a man:

It was a scene long to be remembered,, as the family and friends gathered around the grave on that serene and most beautiful, Indian summer morning, and united with bowed heads and sympathizing hearts in the simple, heartfelt and deeply impressive prayer which was there offered; and we could but feel how grand a lesson is taught us when a good man is called from earth to heaven; a man who has filled the measure of his days in his Master's service, and whose memory will be cherished by his friends and kindred as among the best of earthly treasures.

Israel Brayton married, August 19, 1813, Keziah Anthony, daughter of David and Submit (Wheeler) Anthony, they the parents of children. (See Wheeler and Anthony). Keziah (Anthony) Brayton was the last to reside permanently upon the Homestead Farm, where she died October 24, 1880, aged eighty-nine years. She was a direct descendant of John Anthony, one of the pioneer settlers of Rhode Island, who came from England in the year 1634. The Anthony family was prominent in Rhode Island affairs, and had become allied with many of the most important families of the colony. Israel and Keziah (Anthony) Brayton were the parents of the following children: 1. Mary, born in Foxboro, Massachusetts, May 9, 1914; married (first), in 1842, Major Bradford Durfee, of Fall River, who died in 1843, leaving one son, Bradford Matthew Chaloner Durfee, born June 15, 1843, died, unmarried, in 1872. His mother gave in his memory the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the city of Fall River. She married (second), in 1851, the



Rev. Jeremiah S. Young, who died in 1861. She died in Fall River, March 22, 1891. 2. William Bowers, born in Swansea, April 6, 1816; married Hannah Turner Lawton, of Tiverton, Rhode Island. 3. Nancy Jarrett Bowers, married Daniel Chase, and their only child died in infancy. 4. Elizabeth Anthony, married Rev. Roswell Dwight Hitchcock, and they were the parents of the following children: Roswell, Mary B., Harriet W., and Bradford W. 5. David Anthony, born in Swansea, April 2, 1824, died August 20, 1881; married Nancy R. Jenckes, of Fall River. 6. John Summerfield, born in Swansea, December 3, 1826; married Sarah J. Tinkham, of Middleboro, Massachusetts. 7. Israel Perry, born in Swansea, May 24, 1829, married Parthenia Gardner, of Swansea. 8. Hezekiah Anthony, mentioned below.

(VII) Hezekiah Anthony Brayton, one of the most vital figures in the history of the industrial development of Fall River, son of Israel (2) and Keziah (Anthony) Brayton, was born June 24, 1832, on Main street, Fall River, Massachusetts. Here he passed his childhood, and attended local schools for his education. Later he was entered as a student at the East Greenwich Academy, East Greenwich, Rhode Island, and after being graduated from that institution, returned to his native State and taught school for one year in the town of Seekonk. He did not find in this profession the opportunity which he desired, however, and at the end of the first year secured a position in a railroad office where, besides the work involved in his duties, he continued the study of mathematics, specializing in that branch of the science which bears directly on civil engineering. His character was of the type with which New England has made us familiar; determined to advance, he perfected himself sufficiently in the study of mathematics to qualify as a surveyor. In this capacity he went West and worked for a considerable time in Texas. On his return to Massachusetts, he settled for a time in Lawrence, where he was engaged in the carding and mechanical engineering department of the Pacific Mills.

It was around this period that there occurred in the East what was known as the "Westward Movement," and this Mr. Brayton joined, in association with his brother, Israel Perry Brayton, establishing himself in Chicago, and engaging in the grain and commission business on the Chicago Board of Trade. This business was afterward transferred to New York and was carried on in connection with the Produce Exchange there. Mr. Brayton spent nearly twenty-five years in Chicago and New York, and in 1872 returned to Massachusetts, where he remained until the close of his life. In the industrial, financial and business life of Fall River from 1872 onward, he played a vital and influential part. He was vice-president of the First National Bank of Fall River, in which institution he also held the office of cashier. A number of years later, upon the failure of the Sagamore Mills, he was appointed one of the trustees in charge of that property, and took an active and important part in the settlement of the affairs of this concern. Upon its reorganization as the Sagamore Manufacturing Company, he was elected treasurer and a member of the board of directors. These two offices he continued to hold until his death, and the large growth of the business was

due in no small measure to his capable management. In addition to his heavy interests and responsibilities in the Sagamore Manufacturing Company, he was also prominently identified with the Durfee Mills, of which he was president and a member of the board of directors. Mr. Brayton was regarded by his associates in Fall River, and throughout the milling industry in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, as one of the most successful mill operators of this section of New England. During the period of his management the Sagamore Manufacturing Company did a most extraordinary business, and established a record that has not been surpassed. His great success in large affairs was undoubtedly due to the fact that he found the keenest pleasure in business combinations and organization, and he was in a great measure a prototype of the great captains of industry of today. His conception of mill operations was intensive in character, and he carried the efficiency of his mills to a high point, keeping equipments and conditions up to the very latest and most modern standards. He possessed the gift of mechanical genius, which combined with a thorough knowledge of every phase of the business in which he engaged, and executive and organizing ability of the first order, made him one of the ablest mill men in New England in the latter decades of the nineteenth century. He rarely made an error of judgment, and his advice consequently was much sought in financial matters. At the time that he assumed charge of the Sagamore Manufacturing Company, one mill was in operation and the foundation of a stone mill had been laid. The results were quickly discernible, and one after another he erected the requisite buildings. Mr. Brayton was succeeded in the office of treasurer by his son, William Lawton Slade Brayton, who had previously engaged in business as a cotton broker.

Hezekiah A. Brayton was deeply interested in the welfare of the city of Fall River, and devoted much time to work in its behalf. He possessed great faith in the future of the city, and did all he could to improve its fortune. He was always conceiving new combinations in the business world, and was ever ready to aid in the development of new and promising enterprises. There can be no doubt that the present great prosperity of the city owes much to his judgment and foresight, his energy and enthusiasm, which were contagious. It is interesting to note that the last cotton corporation formed in Fall River prior to his death had his backing, and that he was a large subscriber to its stock.

The death of Mr. Brayton occurred at his home on North Main street, Fall River, March 24, 1908, in his seventy-sixth year. The board of directors of the Sagamore Manufacturing Company passed the following resolutions to his memory at the meeting convened the day after his death:

Hezekiah A. Brayton, treasurer of this corporation since the 6th day of November, 1879, died after a short illness, on the twenty-fourth day of March, 1908, in the seventy-sixth year of his age. The ability and signal success with which he managed the affairs of this corporation are recognized by every one familiar with it, and by the community-at-large. His personality dominated the entire organization and impressed upon it his own belief in honest work and fidelity to every-day duty. It was his pride to make good, and to keep his word absolutely. A contract was to him a matter of personal honor, as well as of dollars and cents. He was a man of



BRAYTON HALL  
BRAYTON, ENGLAND









Richardson



Wheeler



Chase



Anthony



Coggeshall



Chipman





RICHARDSON.

*Arms*—Argent, on a chief gules three lions' heads erased or.

WHEELER.

*Arms*—Or, a chevron between three leopards' faces sable.

*Crest*—On a ducal coronet or, an eagle displayed gules.

CHASE.

*Arms*—Gules, four crosses flory, two and two argent; on a canton azure, a lion passant or.

*Crest*—A lion rampant or, holding between the paws a cross flory gules.

ANTHONY.

*Arms*—Argent, a leopard's face gules between two flanches sable.

*Crest*—A demi-goat proper charged with a bezant, armed and attired or.

COGGESHALL.

*Arms*—Argent, a cross between four escallops sable.

*Crest*—A stag lodged sable, attired or.

CHIPMAN.

*Arms*—Argent, a bend between six estoiles gules.

*Crest*—A leopard sejant argent murally crowned of the same.

strong and unique individuality, direct and straightforward in his dealings, frank of speech, absolutely honest and with a rare touch of humor. As the years passed, he acquired in an extraordinary and ever increasing degree the confidence of those who associated and dealt with him. He was fortunate in his life, and he died at the height of his success, before age had dulled his interest or impaired his mental vigor. His death is a serious loss to this corporation, and to us, his associates.

Mr. Brayton married, March 25, 1868, Caroline Elizabeth Slade, of Somerset, Massachusetts, a daughter of the late Hon. William Lawton and Mary (Sherman) Slade. Mrs. Brayton survives her husband and resides at the Brayton home in Fall River. (See Slade VII). Mr. and Mrs. Brayton were the parents of the following children: 1. Caroline Slade, born March 10, 1869, in New York City; resides in Fall River, Massachusetts. 2. Abby Slade, born November 10, 1870, in New York City; married Randall Nelson Durfee, of Fall River, and they are the parents of four children: Randall Nelson, Jr., born March 13, 1897; Bradford Chaloner, born August 12, 1900; Caroline, born March 12, 1904; Mary Brayton, born March 4, 1909. 3. William Lawton Slade, born November 13, 1873, in New York City; now treasurer of the Sagamore Manufacturing Company, in which office he succeeded his father; he married, June 18, 1903, Mary Easton Ashley, daughter of Stephen B. and Harriet Remington (Davol) Ashley, of Fall River; their children are: Lawton Slade, born June 20, 1904; Lincoln Davol, born October 20, 1905; Constance, born March 22, 1907; Ruth Sherman, born April 17, 1908; Perry Ashley, born May 25, 1910; Mary Elizabeth, born June 11, 1912; Richard Anthony, born June 9, 1913; Harriet, born December 26, 1916; Sherman, born July 19, 1919. 4. Israel, born August 5, 1874, in Fall River; is now a member of the law firm of Wood & Brayton; married Ethel Moison Chace, of Fall River, and they are the parents of three children: Charlotte, born March 24, 1913; Philip Sherman, born December 3, 1914; Roswell, born April 14, 1917. 5. Mary Durfee, born May 1, 1877, died March 18, 1889. 6. Stanley, born March 20, 1879, died June 29, 1902, in Caux, Switzerland. 7. Arthur Perry, mentioned below. 8. Margaret Lee, born December 14, 1883. 9. Dorothy, born December 19, 1885; married, February 23, 1916, Dr. William Russell MacAusland, of Boston, Massachusetts; they are the parents of three children: Dorothy, born April 16, 1917; Donald, born June 17, 1918; and a son, born May, 1920. 10. Katharine, born December 16, 1887; married Andrew Roy MacAusland, June 2, 1920, and has a daughter, Katharine.

Mr. Brayton was no less happy in his domestic relations than in his business. His home was always the abode of hospitality, and expressed in its appearance the culture and refinement of its dwellers. He was a devoted husband and father, and the same characteristics which made him so popular among his friends kept his household in an ever cheerful state.

(VIII) Arthur Perry Brayton, son of the late Hezekiah A. and Caroline E. (Slade) Brayton, and the descendant of several of the oldest and most influential families of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, May 25, 1881. He was educated in the B. M. C. Durfee High School, and later attended the Hotchkiss School in Lakeville, Con-

necticut. On completing his studies he engaged in business pursuits in Fall River, and devoted his attention to the management of the Durfee farm in South Somerset, of which he was owner. In connection with the Durfee farm he conducted a highly successful dairy business. Following the entry of the United States into the war, and up to the time of his death, he served the government in an official capacity in the training of women for agricultural work, and employed many on his farm in Somerset. He also supplied farmerettes to the neighboring farmers. An able business man and an active worker in charitable and religious fields, he had crowded into his comparatively brief span of years a wide range of interests which but seldom characterizes the man who has attained three score and ten. Business was not his field—he was successful in the ventures which he entered, a keen, sagacious investor, and an able manager, yet he represented the demands which large affairs almost invariably make to the exclusion of other interests. He was a man of broad-minded tolerance, a keen observer, widely travelled, who had weighed the frenzied rush and specialized effort of commercialism against the well-ordered, well-rounded life of the man who engages in many pursuits, and finds the zest of life in widely diversified channels.

A sincere desire to be of aid to humanity, to do the greatest good for the greatest number, inspired the entire career of Arthur P. Brayton. In 1896 he became a member of the First Congregational Church, and until his death maintained an active interest in the church and Sunday school. For many years he was clerk of the church, president of the Young People's Society, and librarian of the Sunday school. He was also one of the founders of the Adams and Junior Adams clubs, church societies for men. He was prominently identified with many church organizations, and for many years was treasurer of the Seaside Home. His gifts to charitable causes were large, and no reasonable appeal to him was ever refused. He gave impulsively, and for this reason the actual extent of his gifts to charities and philanthropic causes never became known. He was a man well loved by hundreds, for he had the social instinct, the gift of making and holding a friendship, an earnest sincerity and warmth which drew men to him instantly. Mr. Brayton was a favorite in club circles. He was a member of the Quequechan Club, the Fall River Country Club, and numerous business organizations. Yachting was his favorite sport, and he was the owner at different times of several yachts and speed boats. As commodore of the Fall River Yacht Club for several years, he did much to promote its interests. He was also president of the Narragansett Bay Yacht Racing Association from February 14, 1917, until his death.

Mr. Brayton was unmarried. His death in Fall River, Massachusetts, October 14, 1918, was the cause of sincere and widespread grief.

(The Coggeshall Line).

The early Coggeshalls formed one of the wealthiest and most prominent of the families of Rhode Island. John Coggeshall, the progenitor of the family in America, was born in the year 1599, in Essex, England. The family, which had been established there for

centuries, was of Norman origin and possessed large estates in Essex and Suffolk, including the manor of Little Coggeshall, and Codham Hall, Wethersfield, in the vicinity of Coggeshall-on-the-Blackwater. The oldest Coggeshall families followed the usages of the Normans, writing the name de Coggeshall, as Thomas de Coggeshall, who was the owner of the above-named vast estates in the reign of King Stephen of Blois, grandson of the Conqueror, 1135-1154. Five of the family, several of whom were knights, were sheriffs of Essex, which until 1556 included Hertfordshire. Coggeshall, the most famous of the Cistercian Order, was built by King Stephen in 1142, and endowed by his queen, Matilda, of Boulogne, and his son Eustace, with their lands in France.

(I) John Coggeshall, immigrant ancestor and founder of the Coggeshall family in America, arrived in Boston on the ship "Lyon," September 16, 1632, and settled eventually in Newport, Rhode Island, where he died. He settled first in Roxbury, Massachusetts, removing in the spring of 1634 to Boston, where he held many important offices in church and State. "On the 11th of Sept., 1634, he appears as one of the first Board of Selectmen of Boston, together with Winthrop, Coddington, Underhill, Oliver, etc., etc. \* \* \* At the first General Court of Massachusetts, that of May 14, 1634, he heads the list of deputies from Boston, who were John Coggeshall, Edmund Quincy and John Underhill." On the banishment of the celebrated Ann Hutchinson, Coggeshall, who was one of the most staunch supporters and defenders, was removed from office and compelled to depart—1637-38. Eighteen men, including William Coddington, John Clarke, the Hutchinson family and himself, by the advice of Roger Williams, who was already in Providence, now purchased the Island of Aquidneck from the Narragansett sachems, and there a civil organization was effected based on the principle of religious liberty. They laid the foundations first of the little town of Portsmouth, near the north end of the island. This little colony grew so rapidly that enlargement soon became necessary, and a settlement was made on the south end of the island which resulted in the founding of Newport. In 1647 Coggeshall was elected president of Rhode Island, with Roger Williams as assistant for Providence, William Coddington for Newport, and Randall Holden for Warwick. John Coggeshall assisted in the founding of two cities, two States, and two separate and independent governments. He died in office, November 27, 1647, aged about fifty-six years, and was buried upon his estate in Newport. Here also lies his wife Mary, who survived him thirty-seven years, dying December 19, 1684, aged eighty-seven years. John Coggeshall, Jr., who succeeded to his father's estate, and filled various important offices in the colony for more than forty years, is also buried here, as are Abraham Redwood, founder of the Redwood Library, and his wife, Martha (Coggeshall) Redwood; William Ellery, signer of the Declaration of Independence. Over the grave of the first president of the Rhode Island Colony has been erected a granite obelisk. The name of John Coggeshall, with the date of his presidency, may be seen in one of the memorial windows of the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C.

(II) Major John (2) Coggeshall, son of John (1) Coggeshall, was born in England in 1618, the eldest son. He was fourteen years old at the time of the arrival of the family in America in 1632. Upon the death of his father, in 1647, he came into possession of his large estate. Major John Coggeshall was long and often in office, for nearly half a century exhibiting eminent executive ability. He was commissioner of Newport, upon the union of the four towns and reorganization of the government, August 31, 1654, also at the last election under the old charter, May 22, 1663. He was one of the original grantees of the royal charter of 1663, and at the first general election under the charter, May 4, 1664, he was elected one of the five assistants, with Governor Benedict Arnold and Deputy Governor William Brenton; also in 1665, 1670, 1671, 1674, 1676, he held the same office. He was treasurer of the colony in 1664, 1665, 1666, 1683, 1684, 1686; and was deputy for Newport, October 23, 1665. In 1684 he was chosen major-general for the forces of the island. He was deputy governor in 1686, and in several elections was proposed for governor, but declined to serve. But few men of the time exerted greater influence or rendered the colony such faithful service.

(III) Content Coggeshall, daughter of Major John (2) and Elizabeth (Baulstone) Coggeshall, married, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, Preserved Brayton. (See Brayton III). She died in Swansea, Massachusetts, in 1759.

(The Luther Line).

The name of Luther has been perpetuated forever in the minds of mankind since the age when the greatest of its bearers, Martin Luther, the leader of the Reformation, originated his earth-shaking doctrines. Martin Luther was born in Eisleben, Prussian Saxony, November 10, 1483. The events which led up to the publication of his famed ninety-five theses are historical, and these were followed by his excommunication from the Church of Rome in 1520; the translation of the New Testament, which permanently established the literary language of Germany, was published in March, 1522, and his first hymn-book was printed in 1524, the whole number of his works being sixty-seven volumes. In 1525 Luther married Catherine von Bora. It is a deplorable circumstance that the history of his posterity should have been allowed to sink into oblivion. Students of the family history claim descent from the brother of Martin Luther for the American family of the name.

Johannes Luther, brother of Martin Luther, was born in Eisleben, and spent his life there. His descendants in the third or fourth generation emigrated to Holland, whence a century later some of them removed to Sussex, England, among them one Wilhelm Luther, who attained the venerable age of one hundred and eight years. After the settlement in England, some branches of the family amassed great wealth, and became the owners of extensive landed estates. The family was known in local parlance as Luton, but in all legal papers the name was spelled Luther, and it is under this form that it is found in early American records.

The surname Luther was originally derived from



#### HOWLAND.

*Arms*—Argent, three bars sable, in chief three lions rampant of the second.

*Crest*—A lion passant sable ducally gorged or.

#### THILEY.

*Arms*—Argent, a wyvern, wings endorsed sable, charged on the breast with an annulet or.

*Crest*—The head of a battle-axe issuing from the wreath.

#### LUTHER.

*Arms*—Argent, two bars sable, in chief three round buckles azure.

*Crest*—Two arms embowed in armour proper, holding in the hands a round buckle or.

#### GARDNER.

*Arms*—Or, a griffin passant azure, on a chief sable three pheons argent.

*Crest*—A griffin's head couped or, gorged with a chaplet vert between two wings azure.

#### WARDWELL.

*Arms*—Argent, on a bend between six martlets sable, three bezants.

*Crest*—A lion's gamb holding a spear proper, tasseled or.

*Motto*—*Arto vivet honore.* (He flourishes by ancestral honors).

#### REED.

*Arms*—Gules, a saltire between four garbs or.

*Crest*—On the stump of a tree vert a falcon rising proper.

*Motto*—*Cedant arma togæ.* (Let arms yield to the gown).

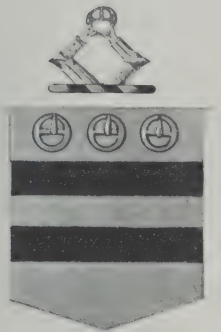




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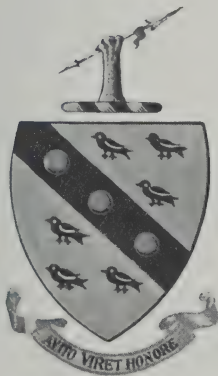
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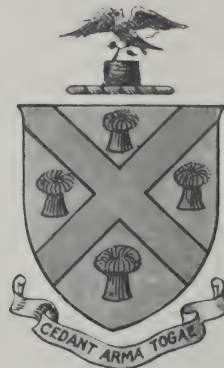
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two sources, one a local and the other baptismal. The first source was the place name, signifying literally "of Luther" or "Lowther," the second, the font name, signifying "the son of Lothar." The name never became popularized in England under its German form, but came into use in the Italian form, Lothario, and the French, Lothaire.

The founding of the Luther family in America occurred but fifteen years after the coming of the "Mayflower." Through the progenitor, Captain John Luther, and his sons, Samuel and Hezekiah Luther, have descended all of the name whose lineage is traced to the early decades of our history. The family first had its seat in the town of Rehoboth in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, whence it spread throughout New England.

(I) Captain John Luther, the founder, was born in Shrewsbury, England. There has been a difference of opinion as to the place of his birth, the late Rev. Mr. Root, of Providence, genealogist, stating that Captain Luther was a native of Germany, whence he emigrated to New England in 1635. No proof, however, has been found to substantiate the theory. John Luther is first of record in Boston in 1635, having sailed in the same year from Great Canford, County Dorset, England. In 1637 he was one of the first purchasers and settlers of Swansea, Massachusetts, and his ninety acres of land are said to have been purchased from the Indians for a peck of white beans. It is quite possible that the land was assigned by the Colonial authorities, and the peck of beans quieted any claim of the Indians. In the same year he was one of the first sixty-six purchasers of land in Taunton, Massachusetts, but in 1642 he disposed of his lands there and became one of the original settlers of Gloucester. He was a master mariner, and was employed by the merchants of Boston as captain of a vessel to go to Delaware bay on a trading voyage. He was killed there by Indians in 1644. It is thought that his son, John Luther, Jr., was captured at the time of his father's death, for on May 2, 1646, the General Court of Massachusetts awarded to the Widow Luther the balance of her husband's wages, according to sea custom, ruling that the merchants should retain the sum paid to the Indians for the redemption of her son. Although early records mention only two sons of Captain John Luther, genealogists incline to the theory that he must have had a son considerably older than Samuel and Hezekiah Luther, who were eight and four years old respectively at the time of their father's death. It is probable that the John Luther, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, in 1658, who sold land to Samuel Millitt, and in 1667, with Millitt and several others, was one of the purchasers of Swansea, and captain of militia there in 1682, was the elder son of the progenitor.

Children of Captain John Luther: 1. John, of Attleboro and Swansea. 2. Samuel, born in Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1636, died December 20, 1716; of Rehoboth; on October 19, 1672, he made a claim or demand for his father's purchase in Taunton. Samuel Luther succeeded Rev. John Miles as elder of the Baptist church of Swansea, in 1685,

two years after the latter's death. He is referred to as Rev. Captain Samuel Luther, which would indicate military rank. He continued at the head of the Swansea Church for thirty-two years, and was buried in the Kickemuit Cemetery, in what is now Warren, Rhode Island. 3. Hezekiah, mentioned below.

(II) Hezekiah Luther, son of Captain John Luther, was probably born in Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1640. He and his brother, Samuel, were among the first settlers of Swansea, Massachusetts, and many of his descendants lived in that town, in the adjoining town of Rehoboth, and in various parts of Rhode Island. Hezekiah Luther was a carpenter by trade. He married (first) in Dorchester, Massachusetts, November 30, 1661, Elizabeth —; (second) Sarah Butterworth, who died August 22, 1722. He died in Swansea, July 23, 1723.

(III) Lieutenant Hezekiah (2) Luther, son of Hezekiah (1) and Sarah (Butterworth) Luther, was born in Swansea, Massachusetts, August 27, 1676, and died there October 27, 1763. In 1723 he was chosen town clerk, and filled the office continuously throughout the long period until 1761. He also held the rank of lieutenant in the local militia. In March, 1704, he married Martha Gardner, who died November 2, 1763. (See Gardner IV). They were the parents of Martha, mentioned below.

(IV) Martha Luther, daughter of Lieutenant Hezekiah (2) and Martha (Gardner) Luther, was born November 28, 1721, died November 7, 1796. She married Benjamin Anthony, son of William and Mary (Coggeshall) Anthony. (See Anthony VI).

(The Gardner Line).

The Gardners were among the earliest settlers of New England, and take prominent rank among the notable Colonial families of this historic section of the country. Richard Gardner, a seaman, came in the "Mayflower," but returned to his native land; Thomas Gardner, a native of Weymouth, in Dorsetshire, where the family had flourished for three centuries, came in 1624 with Rev. John White and other companies, and settled at Cape Ann, where he was overseer of the plantation. These are but two of the many representatives of this notable name who before 1700 were represented in the New World colonies by prominent and influential members of communities in which they had taken up residence.

The surname Gardner is placed by the authority, Charles Wareing Bardsley, M. A., in the occupative class to which the masculine ending "er," denoting occupation or profession, properly assigns it. Another authority states that the name is Saxon in origin, derived from two Saxon words, the first *gar*, signifying a weapon, dart, javelin, etc., and the second syllable, *dyn*, indicating a sound, noise, or alarm. The "er" ending is declared to denote merely the habitation of a specified place. Among the knights who accompanied the Conqueror to England was one des Jardines. This name translated literally means "of the gardens," is of local derivation, and is not to be confused with Gardner.

*Arms*—Or, a griffin passant azure, on a chief sable three pheons argent.

*Crest*—A griffin's head couped or, gorged with a chaplet vert between two wings azure.

(I) Thomas Gardner, immigrant ancestor and progenitor, was a native of Dorsetshire, England, and his migration to the New World was made in association with one of the most famous colonization movements for which the century was notable. He was a member of the historic "Dorchester Company" and came with the members of that expedition in the vessel chartered for their use in company with the Rev. John White and others in 1624. Fourteen colonists were landed at Cape Ann, and among these was the pioneer, Thomas Gardner. He was a man so well endowed mentally and so highly esteemed by the company that he was placed in leadership over the pioneer enterprise, and after making the landing, he began at once to oversee the planting of the new settlement. The hardships of life at Cape Ann were too great to be overcome, and in 1626 the colony was moved to Naumkeag, and a settlement was made there and called "Salem." Thomas Gardner became a freeman, and continued prominent in the affairs of the community until his death, having several grants of land in Salem and also at Danvers. He died in 1635. Thomas Gardner brought with him from England his son, Thomas, mentioned below.

(II) Thomas (2) Gardner, son of Thomas (1) Gardner, came to America with his father in 1624, and removed with him to Salem in 1626. He became a freeman, March 17, 1637, and in the same year was appointed one of the "Twelve Men," of the town. On July 26, 1637, he was elected to represent Salem in the Massachusetts General Court. He also served as juror, was overseer of highways, 1638; town surveyor and "cunstable," 1639; and in later years appears to have been chosen to fill almost every one of the principle offices in the town. He was owner of a bull, and in 1640 "was given XX's for its use in the herd of the season." He was known as "The Planter" and had large grants of land made to him in Salem. His will was dated 7th, 10, 1668, and was probated March 29, 1675; his widow, Damaris, was bequeathed the estate she brought him and a yearly income of eight pounds; to his daughter, Sarah Balch, he bequeathed fifteen pounds; to his daughter, Seeth Grafton, he gave fifteen pounds; and the balance of his estate was distributed among his other sons and daughters, as well as his grandchildren. He died October 29, 1674, and was buried in the Gardner burying ground. He married (first) Margaret Fryer or Friar. He married (second) Damaris Shattuck, a widow with several children, who died September 28, 1675. Issue (by first wife) among others: Samuel Gardner, mentioned below.

(III) Samuel Gardner, son of Thomas (2) Gardner, was probably born in County Dorset, England, as indicated by sworn statements in various affidavits on file. His public service in the colonies was rendered as town surveyor, beginning on March 7, 1667, to lay out the Salem-Lynn boundary, and a

heap of stones is still pointed out as place where he located an angle. On February 23, 1673, he laid the bounds for Reading and Salem; September 12, 1673, he was appointed "to lay out the Comon Lieng nere Beverly;" and June 1, 1677, was named to lay the bounds between Ipswich and Manchester; and between Salem and Marblehead on March 27, 1679. He was appointed appraiser of estates in 1665; served on juries frequently, 1661-1679; made coroner, 1686; constable, 1671; appointed selectman of Salem, March 12, 1677; chosen deputy to the General Court, representing Boston, May 11, 1681; admitted a freeman on May 12, 1675; commissioner, June 27, 1680, and was licensed as "innholder," November 30, 1687; owned much land in Salem. Samuel Gardner died about October, 1689.

Samuel Gardner married (first) Mary White, daughter of John and Elizabeth White; she died July 12, 1675. He married (second), August 2, 1680, Widow Elizabeth Paine. Issue (by second wife): Martha, mentioned below.

(IV) Martha Gardner, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Paine) Gardner, was born November 16, 1686, and died November 2, 1763. She married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, March 23, 1704, Hezekiah Luther, son of Hezekiah and Sarah (Butterworth) Luther, who was born in Swansea, Massachusetts, August 27, 1676, and died there October 27, 1763. They had issue twelve children, among them Martha Luther, who became the wife of Benjamin Anthony. (See Luther and Anthony).

(The Wheeler Line).

Historically, the name of Wheeler found its rise during the Saxon ascendancy in England; as early as the eighth century, a chieftain of the Saxons is discovered named "Wielher," and the progressive changes in the name thereafter proceeded steadily onward until the Norman Conquest, at which period when the Domesday Book was made, one Weleret is cited as the possessor of land at that time. Later, in 1273, Hugh Le Welere is cited in the Hundred Rolls, and Richard le Whelere appears on the Close Rolls in 1348. Of the origin and meaning of the name, search must be conducted in the age of the Saxons; its early Saxon spelling was "Wielher," and represented evidently a combination of two Anglo-Saxon words; the first syllable derived from "wel" or "wiel," signified prosperous or fortunate, whence the modern words "weal" and "wealth" may be traced; the last syllable, derived from the Saxon *hari* or *heri*, signified a warrior, from which root is also traceable the modern "hero." Thus the name of Wheeler represents the ancient "Weal-hero" or "Welhari," that is, "the lucky warrior" or "the prosperous hero." Precedent forms to that of Wheeler were Wheler and Whaler, and in the Colonial records, the family name was rendered in such variety as Wheloh, Wheelar, Wheeler, Wheler, Whaler, Whealer, Whealer and Wheller.

*Arms*—Or, a chevron between three leopards' faces sable.

*Crest*—On a ducal coronet or, an eagle displayed gules.

Families bearing the surname of Wheeler were long of aristocratic standing in England; a line of



noblemen existed in that kingdom in uninterrupted descent for over four hundred years, and during the reign of King Charles II., Sir Charles Wheeler, noted English admiral, for his gallant services was given a grant of land by the crown in America; he was also appointed captain-general of the "Caribbee Islands," and in 1693 was in command of the English fleet which then went to Boston. Several of the Wheeler surname came almost coincidentally to America, and traditionally it is claimed that they were all nearly connected and members of a distinguished and ancient family in England, of which Sir Francis Wheeler was a member, and were doubtless attracted to the New World settlements by their kinsman's connection therewith.

Among the most notable of all the settlers of the name of Wheeler who came to America was John Wheeler, the founder, ancestor of the line of Wheeler, hereinafter traced.

(I) John Wheeler, the founder of the family in America, was, according to reputed authority, born in Salisbury, Wiltshire, England, and was of a family long resident in that locality. Previous to his departure from England he had married. On March 24, 1633-34, he sailed for the Massachusetts Bay Colony on the ship "Mary and John," bringing with him his wife, Ann, and six of his children, but leaving in his native land four of his sons. The first settlement of John Wheeler in America was made in Agawam (later Ipswich), in the Massachusetts Bay Colony; there he resided for about a year, and thence removed to the north bank of the Merrimac river, at the place which was called Salisbury after 1640. The influence of the founder, Wheeler, may be traced in the selection of the name Salisbury (being that of his English birthplace) for the New World township. He was one of the original proprietors; he received a tract of land there in 1641, and although he removed to Newbury before 1650, held and paid taxes on his allotment in Salisbury as late as 1652. After establishing himself in Newbury, John Wheeler did not again remove, but remained at that place until his death.

He died in Newbury, Massachusetts, August 29, 1670. He married, in England, Ann ———, who died August 15, 1662. Issue (among others), his eldest son, Henry, mentioned below.

(II) Henry Wheeler, son of John and Ann Wheeler, was born in England. He was a resident of Salisbury, Massachusetts, where he joined the church, August 2, 1694. His wife Abigail was admitted to membership in the same church in 1687. Henry Wheeler died before 1696. He married, about 1658, Abigail Allen, born in Salisbury, January 4, 1639-40, daughter of William and Ann (Goodale) Allen. Issue twelve children, of whom the sixth was James, mentioned below.

(III) James Wheeler, son of Henry and Abigail (Allen) Wheeler, was born in Salisbury, Massachusetts, May 27, 1667. He removed to Rehoboth, Massachusetts, where all his children, with the exception of Mary, were born. He died in Rehoboth, in April, 1753. He was domiciled in Swansea in 1738. He married (first) Grizzell Squire, daughter

of Philip and Rachel (Ruggles) Squire. He married (second), October 2, 1738, Elizabeth Brintnal, of Norton. Issue seven children, of whom the third was James, mentioned below.

(IV) James (2) Wheeler, son of James (1) and Grizzell (Squire) Wheeler, was born in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, March 27, 1697, and he died at that place, April 23, 1740. He married, March 8, 1716, Elizabeth West, born in Rehoboth, November 30, 1694, daughter of John and Mehitabel West, of Swansea. Issue (born at Rehoboth) eight children, of whom his youngest son was Jeremiah, mentioned below.

(V) Jeremiah Wheeler, son of James (2) and Elizabeth (West) Wheeler, was born in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, March 23, 1731. He was long a notable resident of his native place, and identified in some prominence with its affairs. He became active early in military organizations of the district, and was commissioned second lieutenant of the First Regiment of Massachusetts Militia, September 3, 1767. He died in Rehoboth, February 26, 1811. He married (first) in Rehoboth, January 4, 1753, Submit Horton; she died April 18, 1778. He married (second) in Brooklyn, Wyndham county, Connecticut, October 27, 1778, Elizabeth Troop. Issue ten children, the fourth being Submit, mentioned below.

(VI) Submit Wheeler, daughter of Jeremiah and Submit (Horton) Wheeler, was born in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, February 17, 1760. She married, July 25, 1779, David Anthony, of Swansea, son of Benjamin and Martha (Luther) Anthony. Issue ten children, of whom their daughter, Keziah Anthony, married Israel (2) Brayton. (See Anthony, Luther, Brayton).

**DAVID ANTHONY**—This surname is of the baptismal class, signifying literally "the son of Anthony"; the "h" is intrusive. In the thirteenth century the name enjoyed a fair degree of popularity in England, as the name of the great hermit of the fourth century, St. Anthony, later became the patron of swineherds. As early as the Hundred Rolls the name is found with frequency in records and registers.

Dr. Francis Anthony, progenitor of the American Anthonys, was a physician of no little note and prominence in London toward the close of the sixteenth century. His grandson, John Anthony, became the founder of the Anthony family in America, and the head of a house which has made a deep mark on the history of American affairs. The Anthonys of New England are a notable race, and have produced in many generations and branches men who have been notable leaders in almost every walk of life.

(I) Dr. Francis Anthony, born in London, England, April 16, 1550, is the first of the direct line of whom we have authentic information. He was a very learned physician and chemist. His father was an eminent goldsmith in London, and was employed in a post of great responsibility in the jewel office during the reign of Queen Elizabeth. After



receiving the early portion of his education at home under private tutors, Francis Anthony entered Cambridge University, about 1569, where he was graduated in 1574, taking the Master of Arts degree. During this time he especially devoted himself to the theory and practice of chemistry, and continued the study after graduation, leaving the University of Cambridge at the age of forty years. He gave to the world soon afterward a series of publications embodying the results of his chemical studies. His first treatise, appearing in 1698, gave the merits of a medicine compounded from the precious metal gold. Moving to London, he commenced the practice of medicine without license, and six months later was called for by the president and censors of the College of Physicians, in London, in 1600. He was then disbarred from practice, but disregarded their injunction, and was fined five pounds and committed to prison. A warrant of the lord chief justice released him, and he continued practicing, regardless of the college authorities. He performed numerous cures of distinguished persons, which brought him not a little celebrity. Proceedings were again threatened, but not carried through. His chief practice grew up in the prescription and sale of his famous secret remedy, called "Aurum Potabile," or potable gold, which he claimed was a cure for all diseases. The college regarded him with distrust, both because he practiced without a license, and because he refused to make public the formula for his remedy. Dr. Anthony's career and the hostility of the college to him illustrate the condition of the medical profession in the seventeenth century in England, a time of great popular ignorance. He gathered a considerable fortune from his medicine, and is thought to have been a man of considerable intellectual attainments, excellent character, and great generosity toward the poorer classes. He died at the age of seventy-three years, and was buried in an aisle of the Church of St. Bartholomew the Great, in London, where a handsome monument was erected with the following remarkable inscription to his memory:

Sacred to the memory of the worthy and learned  
Francis Anthony, Dr. of physick.  
There needs no verse to beautify thy praise  
Or keep in memory thy spotless name;  
Religion, virtue, and thy skill did raise  
A threefold pillar to thy lasting fame.  
Though poisonous envy ever sought to blame  
Or hide the fruits of thy intention;  
Yet shall they commend that high design  
Of purest gold to make a medicine,  
That feed thy help by that thy rare invention.

Dr. Francis Anthony married twice, the second time, Elizabeth Lante, of Trinity, Menaries, London, widow of Thomas Lante, at the Church of the Savoy, Middlesex, September 23, 1609. By his first marriage he had children: John, Charles, Frances. Both sons became physicians, Charles settling in Bedford, England. The daughter, Frances, married Abraham Vicers, of St. Olave, Old Jewry, London, April 28, 1608.

(II) Dr. John Anthony, son of Dr. Francis Anthony, was born in England, in 1585, and died in

1655. He was graduated at Pembroke College with the degree of Bachelor of Medicine, in 1613, and in 1619 took the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He was admitted licentiate of the College of Physicians of London, in 1625. He served in the Civil War on the parliamentary side, as surgeon to Colonel Sandys. He was also an author, issuing a devotional work, "The Comfort of the Soul, laid down by way of Meditation." In the British Museum is a small note book bound with the coat-of-arms of Charles I, belonging to him. His son, John (2), born in Hampstead, England, in 1607, was the American immigrant.

(III) John (2) Anthony, son of Dr. John (1) Anthony, was born in Hampstead, England, in 1607, and died in 1675. He resided for a time in the village of Hampstead, near London, England, but removed to come to America. He sailed for New England in the barque, "Hercules," April 16, 1634. In 1640 he is recorded in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, where he was made a freeman, "14th 7 mo., 1640." He was made a corporal of the military company, and had land assigned to him at the "Wadding river," in 1644. He had authority granted to him, May 25, 1655, to keep a house of entertainment in Portsmouth. John Anthony later rose to prominence in the affairs of the community, and was appointed commissioner in 1661. From 1666 to 1672 he occupied the post of deputy to the General Court. He married Susanna Potter, who died in 1675. Their children were: 1. John, born in 1642. 2. Susanna, born in 1644. 3. Elizabeth, born in 1646. 4. Joseph, born in 1648. 5. Abraham, mentioned below.

(IV) Abraham Anthony, son of John (2) and Susanna (Potter) Anthony, was born in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, in 1650, and died October 10, 1727. He was made a freeman in 1672, and was deputy much of the time between the years 1703 and 1711, being speaker of the House of Deputies in 1709-10. Like his father he was a prominent figure in the life of early Portsmouth. He married, December 26, 1671, Alice Wardwell, born February 10, 1650, daughter of William and Alice Wardwell. They resided in Portsmouth, where his wife died in 1734. Children: 1. John, born November 7, 1672. 2-3. Susanna and Mary, twins, born August 29, 1674. 4. William, mentioned below. 5. Susanna, born October 14, 1677. 6-7. Mary and Amey, twins, born January 2, 1680. 8. Abraham, born April 21, 1682. 9. Thomas, born June 30, 1684. 10-11. Alice and James, twins, born January 22, 1686. 12. Amey, born June 30, 1688. 13. Isaac, born April 10, 1690. 14. Jacob, born November 15, 1693.

(V) William Anthony, son of Abraham and Alice (Wardwell) Anthony, was born October 31, 1675, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, and died December 28, 1744. He resided during the early part of his life in Portsmouth, but later removed to Swansea, Massachusetts. William Anthony married, March 14, 1694, Mary Coggeshall, who was born September 18, 1675, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Timberlake) Coggeshall, of Portsmouth. She was a descendant of John Coggeshall, founder of the





Effigy of the Knight Pomeroy  
with coat of arms and shield  
in Warrington Church



REMAINS OF MONUMENTAL EFFIGY OF RICARDUS DE SLADE (RICHARD BLADE) ANCIENTLY STANDING IN, SEPTENTRION





family in America, through his son, Major John Coggeshall, who married Elizabeth Baulstone, and John, who married Elizabeth Timberlake. Children of William and Mary (Coggeshall) Anthony: 1. William, born May 14, 1695. 2. Abraham, born September 29, 1696. 3. Elizabeth, born May 2, 1698. 4. Mary, born December 8, 1699. 5. John, born September 12, 1702. 6. Alice, born May 22, 1705. 7. Ann, born March 17, 1707. 8-9. John and Amy, twins, born November 16, 1709. 10. James, born November 9, 1712. 11. Job, born April 10, 1714. 12. Benjamin, mentioned below. 13. Daniel, born May 19, 1720.

(VI) Benjamin Anthony, son of William and Mary (Coggeshall) Anthony, was born June 10, 1716. He settled on a farm in Somerset, Massachusetts. He married Martha Luther, daughter of Hezekiah and Martha (Gardner) Luther, of Swansea, Massachusetts. (See Luther IV). Children: 1. Aber. 2. Peleg. 3. Rufus. 4. Reuben. 5. Hezekiah. 6. James. 7. Benjamin. 8. Luther. 9. Caleb. 10. Nathan. 11. David, mentioned below.

(VII) David Anthony, son of Benjamin and Martha (Luther) Anthony, was born August 3, 1760. He married Submit Wheeler, daughter of Jeremiah and Submit (Horton) Wheeler, of Rehoboth, Massachusetts. (See Wheeler VI). Their children were: 1. Elizabeth. 2. Nathan. 3. David. 4. Hezekiah. 5. Elisha. 6. Keziah, mentioned below. 7. Submit. 8. Benjamin. 9. Mary B.

(VIII) Keziah Anthony, daughter of David and Submit (Wheeler) Anthony, was born in 1791, and died October 24, 1880, aged eighty-nine years. She married, August 19, 1813, Israel Brayton, of Somerset, Massachusetts. (See Brayton VI).

**WILLIAM WARDWELL**—The watch tower and the watch hill were institutions of primary importance in the life of early England. Every border town of any size and prominence kept the "watch and ward," and had its guardians of the life and peace of its inhabitants. The institution was made necessary by an age in which sudden warfare, attack, wholesale pillage and rapine, were the order of the day, and the safety of a town or village depended upon the haste with which it could summon and prepare its defenders. The incursions of the wild Scottish tribes of the borderland were constant, and it was along this boundary line that the "watch and ward" flourished until a late date. The surname of Wardwell originated in this custom. The earliest ancestors of the family came into England in the train of the Conqueror, and attained great prominence under that monarch, receiving at his hands great estates under the feudal system in Westmoreland. According to the custom among the Norman nobles, the first ancestor of the family assumed the surname of Wardell, of Wardwell, from an old watch tower or watch hill which stood on his estate on the northern borders of Westmoreland.

William Wardwell, the founder of the American family, first appears in the American colonies in the year 1634. Since that time the family has been

prominent in life and affairs in New England. From the earliest generations, intermarriages with the proudest families of New England have been frequent, and the present Wardwells count their descent from many notable patriots.

(I) William Wardwell, immigrant ancestor and founder of the American family, was a native of England, whither he emigrated to America early in the third decade of the seventeenth century, and is first of record in the New England colonies in 1634. In that year his name appears on the records of the church at Boston. He became a member there on February 9, 1634, about a year after his arrival in the town. William Wardwell, at a later date, was one of those who with their families were turned out of the old Boston Second Church with Wheelwright, and accompanied him to Exeter, New Hampshire, before going to Ipswich, Massachusetts, where they finally settled. William Wardwell returned to Boston, however, where his first wife, Alice Wardwell, was buried. He married (second) Elizabeth, widow of John Gillet, or Jillett, December 5, 1687. On January 12, 1643, he and ten others bought of Miantonomi for 144 fathoms of wampum, the tract of land called Shawomet (Warwick). On September 12, 1643, he with others of Warwick were notified to appear at the General Court at Boston to hear complaint of two Indian sachems, Pomham and Soconocco, as to "some unjust and injurious dealing toward them by yourselves." The Warwick men declined to obey the summons, declaring that they were legal subjects of the King of England and beyond the limits of the Massachusetts territory, to whom they would acknowledge no subjection. Soldiers were soon sent who besieged the settlers in a fortified house. In a parley it was not said "that they held blasphemous errors which they must repent of," or go to Boston for trial. On October 5, 1643, William Wardwell was at Portsmouth, where he had a grant of ten acres. On November 3, of the same year, he was brought with others before the court at Boston charged with heresy and sedition. They were sentenced to be confined during the pleasure of the court, and should they break jail or preach or speak against church or State, on conviction, they should die. Wardwell was sent to Watertown, but not to prison, and remained at large until the following March, when he was banished both from Massachusetts and Warwick. He thereupon returned to Portsmouth. Most of his companions in the trial suffered close imprisonment for several months. In 1655 he became a freeman, and in 1656-63 was commissioner. In 1664-65-66-67-69-70-72-73-74-75-80-81-82-83-84-86, he served as deputy from Portsmouth to the General Assembly. On April 4, 1676, it was voted "that in these troublesome times and straits in this colony, this Assembly desiring to have the advice and concurrence of the most judicious inhabitants if it may be had for the good of the whole, do desire at their next sitting the company and counsel of Mr. Benedict Arnold," and fifteen others, among whom was William Wardwell. On May 5, 1680, he was appointed as a committee to put the

laws and acts of the colony "into such a method that they may be put in print." In 1684 he was chosen assistant, but refused to accept the office. William Wardwell died some time before May, 1693. His will, which was dated September 8, 1692, was proved May 2, 1693. In it he mentions his daughter Alice, mentioned below. The will was recorded both at Portsmouth and Taunton.

(II) Alice Wardwell, daughter of William Wardwell, was born February 10, 1650. On December 26, 1671, she married Abraham Anthony, son of John and Susanna (Potter) Anthony. After her husband's death, October 10, 1727, she removed to the home of her son, William Anthony, and remained there until her death in 1734. (See Anthony). They had issue thirteen children, of whom their fourth child, William Anthony, was the father of Benjamin Anthony, who married Martha Luther (see Luther), and whose youngest child, David Anthony, left a daughter, Keziah Anthony, who married Israel Brayton. (See Brayton).

**HON. WILLIAM LAWTON SLADE**—The following is the heraldic description of the Slade arms:

*Arms*—Per fesse argent and sable a pale counterchanged, and three horses' heads erased, two and one, of the second, a chief ermine. Thirteen two bombs fired proper.

*Crest*—On a mount vert a horse's head erased sable, encircled with a chain in form of an arch, gold.

*Motto*—*Fidus et audax.* (Faithful and bold).

The Slade coat-of-arms as it was originally registered during the time of Queen Elizabeth was:

*Arms*—Argent, three horses' heads sable, a chief gules.

*Crest*—A horse's head erased, sable.

The Slade family of America is descended from the lineage of that name in England, distinguished ancestral lines of which are discovered in Cornwall, Salop, Dorset, Warwick, Somerset, Derby, Huntingdon, Norwich, Oxford, Bedford, and other counties. These county families were all offshoots of the ancient de la Slades, mentioned in the Hundrel Rolls, and the arms borne by nearly all the branches display a similarity of emblazonment which indicates their common ancestral root.

The Somersetshire lineage, as well as the Bedfordshire and Huntingdonshire Slade, bore on their escutcheons:

*Arms*—Argent, three horses' heads erased sable, and a chief gules. To this was added in the Bedfordshire house a crest.

*Crest*—A horse's head erased, sable.

The Cornwall branch of the Slades bore similar arms slightly elaborated but bearing the same three horses' heads (therein termed nags), as follows:

*Arms*—Gules, a fesse between three nags' heads coupled looking to the dexter, argent and maned sable.

*Crest*—A lion guardant, erased, holding three ostrich feathers proper.

The name of Slade itself signifies a "small strip of green plain within a woodland," it is one of the most ancient of surname designations existent in

England at the present day, and has undergone but slight differentiation in its orthography in the many centuries of its history. Upon the ancient records of England is found (in addition to the original or parent form of the name, Slade), such compounds as Richard dela Wytslade (of the white-slade); Michael de Oclslade (the oak-slade); William de la Morslade (of the Moorland-slade); and Robert Grenslade (of the green-slade).

From the Slades of Somersetshire derive the Slades of New England as well as the line of Slade Baronets of England, both descending from the ancient Slades of that county, who were also very probably the ancestors of the Slades of Cornwall and Huntingdon. In County Cornwall, that branch of the lineage held for many generations the manor of Trevennen, and they were, states Sir Bernard Burke, noted English authority, "a family of considerable antiquity and were certainly settled at Trevennen in the reign of Elizabeth if not at a much earlier date." As early as the reign of Richard III appears an amusing item in regard to one Alianore Slade, of Somerset, who, states the chronicle, was then "fine one penny," which sum, together with another penny fine against another person, formed a two-penny total "as the sole receipts of the court for that twelve-month."

(The Ancient Lineage).

(I) Nicholas de la Slade, of County Somerset, appearing in the Parliamentary Writs A. D. 1300. The ancient estates in Somerset are indicated by the hamlet or district formerly, in olden times, called Slade; thus we read in the Pedes Finium, commonly called "the Feet of Fines," for the county of Somerset, of the 31st Henry III. (A. D. 1247-8), held at Westminster in the octave of St. John the Baptist, between Adam and Geoffrey de Cusington, respecting several virgates of land in Cusington; that Geoffrey conceded to Adam, half a virgate and a half an acre of land "Whereof two acres and a half lye in the tall ground on the Lusbell; \* \* \* and three \* \* \* in \* \* \* Slade."

(II) Henry de la Slade, mentioned in the Parliamentary Writs A. D. 1327, and then of Somersetshire.

(III) Nicholas (2) Slade, of Cusington, County Somerset, living temp. Edward III. and Richard II.; married Margareta Leetes, daughter of Richard Leetes, of Comberton.

(IV) Richard Slade, of Spetchley, Somerset, who dying about 1420, was succeeded by:

(V) Richard (2) Slade, of Bruton, who married Agnes ——. He was succeeded by:

(VI) John Slade, of Spetchley; married Christina Leweston, daughter of John Leweston, of a distinguished family of Dorset. His monument stands in Spetchley Church and shows his arms and those of his wife.

(VII) William Slade, of Bruton and Taunton; married Matilda Slade, daughter of —— Slade, of Taunton.

(VIII) William (2) Slade, of Somerset and Cornwall, in the Exchequer Depositions for Cornwall, in the 31st of Elizabeth's reign, appears a suit by



Slade









*Wm Lawton Stuck*

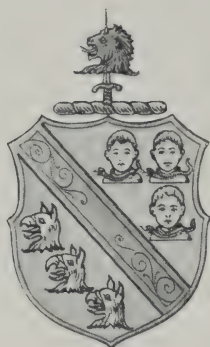


*Mary Sherman Hyde*









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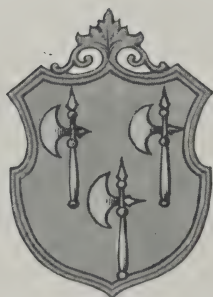
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Button



Weetes



Heweston



Bellot





MADOC (MADOCK).

*Arms*—Azure, a bend or, in chief three boys' heads couped at the shoulders argent, each enwrapped about the neck with a snake proper, in base as many griffins' heads erased of the third.

*Crest*—A lion's head erased or, pierced through the neck with a sword in pale, the point coming out at the top of the head imbrued proper, hilted and pommelled of the first.

MORE.

*Arms*—Ermine, a fesse gules between five moorcocks proper.

DUTTON.

*Arms*—Quarterly argent and gules, in the 2nd and 3rd a fret or.

*Crest*—Out of a ducal coronet or a plume of five ostrich feathers, gules, azure, or, vert and tenee.

LEETES (LEETE).

*Arms*—Argent, on a fesse gules between two rolls of matches sable, fired proper, a martlet or.

*Crest*—On a ducal coronet an antique lamp or, fired proper.

LEWESTON (LEWISTON).

*Arms*—Gules, three battle-axes argent.

BELLOT.

*Arms*—Argent, on a chief gules three cinquefoils of the field.

*Crest*—A fox's head erased sable.

Nicholas Cortney against Richard Bennett, John Slade and William Slade, upon a plea of lands at Tremaynon and Goodorock.

(IX) Edward Slade, of Somerset, and later of Northamptonshire, where he married Alice —, who was deceased before 1610.

(X) Edward (2) Slade, of Somerset, and later of Penzance, Cornwall, and Wales, but who returned to Somerset, where he may have married again and have been the Edward Slade who, January 14, 1663, married, at Taunton, Elizabeth Lisant.

(XI) William (3) Slade, believed to have been born in Wales during his parents' sojourn there, the founder of the family.

Through this same ancient line branched, it is believed, at some time during its course, the Slades of Dorsetshire and of Somersetshire, in the line of the Baronets of the name in England at the present day. Of the latter Baronet line was:

Sir John Slade, First Baronet, born December 31, 1762; entered the military service of England as Cornet in the 10th Hussars, 1780, and served in the Peninsular campaign under Sir John Moore, at the battle of Corunna, and subsequently under Duke of Wellington, from the year 1809 to 1813 inclusive, when he had command of a brigade of cavalry. He was twice honored with the thanks of the House of Commons. He also received the gold medal and one clasp for Corunna and Fuentes d'onor, where he had his horse shot from under him, and the silver war medal with two clasps for Sahagun and Busaco. Sir John Slade was a general in the army and a colonel of the Fifth Regiment of Dragoon Guards. He was one of the equerries to the Duke of Cumberland from the formation of His Royal Highness' household in 1800. Created Baronet 30th September, 1831. Married (first), September 20, 1792, Anna Eliza Dawson; married (second), June 17, 1822, Matilda Ellen Dawson, daughter of James Dawson, of Fork Hill, Armagh, from whom have descended: Sir Frederick William Slade, Second Baronet, born January 21, 1801; married, December 23, 1822, Barbara Maria Brown, daughter of Charles Brown, of Mostyn, Kiddington. Sir Alfred Frederic Adolphus Slade, Third Baronet, born May 28, 1834; married, September 6, 1860, Mary Constance Cuthbert, daughter of William Cuthbert. Sir Cuthbert Slade, Fourth Baronet, born April 10, 1863; married December 2, 1896, Kathleen Scovell, daughter of Rowland Scovell. Sir Alfred Fotheringham Slade, Fifth Baronet, born January 17, 1898, the present representative of the title.

Still another branch of the family was distinguished and anciently landholding in Huntingdonshire, where an ancient pedigree gives:

Richard Slade de Huntingdon, Consiliarius ad Legem; married Elizabetha, *filia* Joh'nes Spencer de Patenham in Bedfordshire. Issue: 1. Thomas Slade de Huntingdon, Consiliarius ad Legem; married Claves Bellikin-Clamp, *uxor ejus*. Issue: Johanna *filia*, ob. s. p.; Anna, *nupta* Ambrosio Mason de Hemingford. 2. Robertus Slade de Elington, in County Huntingdon. 3. Rosa, *nupta* Thomas Spillwater de Leighton.

The Slades of Somersetshire may rightly be considered the most distinguished of the lineage of Slade. They were long conspicuous in the affairs of the community; in the parish of Bewdley, Samuel Slade was several times mayor of the town, and of much interest appears an item in the year 1707 regarding the charter of the corporation (i. e., borough) of Bewdley, where, on discovering the charter of James II. to be void (for, states the historian, "the bailiff and burgesses of Bewdley had surrendered their old charter in 1684" \* \* \* as "it is well known that Charles II. and James II. were very fond of granting new charters to such corporations as could be persuaded to surrender their old ones." \* \* \*), it was found that only one "capital Burgess, Mr. Slade," was alive, who had acted under the ancient charter. Among ecclesiastics who have derived their lineage from this family were William Slade, who, preceding the Reformation, was "clerke" at the "Chauetrie at Estcoker," and later was in receipt of a pension of five pounds, and, at a more modern period, Rev. James Slade, incumbent of Winsford (in the patronage of Emanuel College, Cambridge) on the river Ex, near Dulverton. There is also found, in West Pennard Parish, County Somerset, a charity school, endowed by Robert Slade, Esq., with "ten pence per annum for teaching ten poor children to read;" and among the lists of governors of Bath Hospital appears John Slade, Esq., who contributed a donation to the hospital. Of the church foundation at Bruton, Somerset, there are extant two valuations of conventual property, the first, the Taxatio Pope Nicholas I. of A. D. 1281, made for the Crusades, and the second, the Valor Ecclesiasticus of the 26th year, temp. Henry VIII., in which latter we find Giles Slade as the collector of the monastery rents. This Giles Slade was of Bruton Parish, Somerset, and was buried there, January 17, 1562-63. His probable son (or near kinsman) was John Slade, M. A., Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, who became a Fellow in 1544, and is described in the College books as "ecom. Somerset." He was Master of Magdalen College School (founded in 1519), during 1548 and 1549, and on September 6, 1550, the president and fellows of Magdalen granted leave of absence for a half-year to Mr. Slade "profecturo ad aperendum Ludum gramma ticalem pueris Brutonie." Of his further history we learn that in 1559, he had ceased his connection with Magdalen School, and he probably thereafter became involved in the political troubles of the times, for he has been identified by some writers as the same John Slade who on the 30th of October, 1583, was executed at Winchester for denying the Queen's supremacy. That there have been members of the lineage prominent also in the ranks of the "dissenters" or "Puritans" is shown by the presence of Daniel Slade as elder of the "Independent" Church of Bideford in 1658. There have been likewise many collateral lines established by the Slades in Somersetshire. Particularly is this true of the daughters of the name. Katherine Slade, daughter of Richard Slade, Esq., of Wooton Hall, County Salop, proprietor of that

estate, united the name in marriage with the ancient family of de Botevyle, and left a numerous progeny. Elizabeth Slade married Philip Sheldon, of an old county family, and through this marriage eventually inherited a portion of the ancient manor of Spetchley. This manor was, in the reign of Edward IV., in the ownership of "that most renowned father of the laws," Sir Thomas Lyttleton (Littleton), Knight of the Bath, through whom the property passed for several generations until the manor and lands were deeded to Richard and Katherine Sheldon for ninety-nine years at four pounds rent per annum, the afore said Richard Sheldon being a son of Daniel Sheldon, of Spetchley, living temp. Henry VII., who married Eleanor, daughter and co-heir of John Grove, of Fordhall, Warwickshire, and had issue: Baldwin, living 1502; and Richard, living 1508, who married Katherine, daughter of Thomas Littleton, and sister and heir of William Littleton; the said Richard having issue: Jane, who married Anthony Atwood, of Park Atwood; Cicily, who married Robert Gower; Walter; and Philip, who married Elizabeth Slade, of Ruston, County Derby. Subsequently, Philip Sheldon and his wife Elizabeth (Slade) Sheldon removed to Dorsetshire, where they acquired a large estate. The Sheldon family was of Royalist sympathies, and during the Parliamentary War, one of its members was among those who surrendered to Cromwell at the taking of Worcester.

The Somersetshire estates of the Slades were large and have a most interesting history. Members of the lineage came into possession of the ancient manor of Murtock, in that township, the identical lands which in Saxon times had been held by Edith, Queen of Edward the Confessor; after the Conquest, King William gave the same to his Norman follower, Eustace, Earl of Bulloigne, in Picardy, from whom it passed to the de Fieules, progenitors of the Barons Dacre. In the reign of Edward III., the manor was confiscated to the Crown, and thereafter given by the King to William de Montacute, Earl of Sarum, down through whose family line it descended until the attainer of Sir John de Montacute. Once more restored to the Crown, it was granted to John Beaufort, Marquis of Dorset, and thence passed to Henry Stafford, Duke of Buckingham, who being attainted in 1483, the manor again reverted to the Crown. No further kingly grants of the manor were made until the reign of James I., when that monarch presented it in fee to Lord Morly Montegale as a reward for his discovery of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605. The vicissitudes in the ownership of the manor at last came to an end, when it was divided and sold, Henry and John Slade, Esqrs., of Ash, acquiring a considerable portion of the historic domain, and with that family now rests. A very interesting description is given of the old manor house on this estate: "The old mansion house of the Fieules and Montacutes was moated round, and the walls embattled and crenellated. Its site occupied the space of two acres. Nothing remains thereof, save a double arched stone porch over the moat, which served

as the principal entrance. In emptying the moat some years ago there were found several cannon shot, the offspring probably of Cromwell, or some of his coadjutors."

Still another ancient manor held by the Slades was that of North-Petherton, originally a possession of the Norman family of de Erleigh (de Erleia in the old monuments of titles), and later given by Edward VI., to John, Duke of Northumberland, and whence, after many changes, it passed to the Slade family. Not far from this estate is another possession of the family, the estate of St. Michael's of Michaelchurch, which is mentioned in the Domesday Book: "Ansger holds Michaelcescere. Alwi held it in the time of King Edward, and gelded for half a hide. The arable is one carucate. It was formerly and is now worth five shillings." (Liber Domesday). In process of time, the Norman de Erleighs, lords of Petherton and Durston, incorporated the lands with their other possessions, and after their enjoyment by the families of St. Maur, Bampsyde and Stowell, it passed to the Slades.

The history of these estates strikingly illustrates the temporal character of power of the early Norman barons; both they and their estates passed away, and this is again portrayed by the estate of Mansel, long in the Slade family, which, according to the records of Somersetshire, was for more than twenty generations in the hands of the Mansel family, records of whom hardly exist, and are now, as states an old chronicle, "a family of oblivion." Among other holdings of the Slades are portions of the vast estates of the Monastery at South Brent, dispersed at the Reformation, the particular part held by the Slades having been granted to the Duke of Somersetshire, after whose attainder it passed through various hands until acquired by the Slades.

At the present date, the representatives in England of the ancient Slade line ably support the excellence of their family station. Among others may be mentioned Major-General Sir John Ramsay Slade, K. C. B., notable in the Diplomatic Corps, and commander of the Order of St. Maurice and St. Lazare, of Italy, and a grand officer of the Order of the Crown of Italy. He was a son of the equally noted Lieutenant-General Marcus John Slade, and was raised to the Baronetcy in 1907. Still another well known member of the family was the Rev. George Fitzclarence Slade, eleventh son of the first Baronet Slade, of Maunsell, whose son, Admiral Sir Edmond John Warre Slade, was a noted navy officer. The Slade arms of the Maunsell line are:

*Arms*—Per fesse argent and sable a pale counterchanged, and three horses' heads erased, two and one, of the second, a chief ermine. Thereon two bombs fired proper.

*Crest*—On a mount vert, a horse's head erased sable, encircled with a chain in form of an arch, gold.

*Motto*—Fidus et audax.

(The Family in America).

(I) William Slade, founder of the family, is said to have been born in Wales, and was the son of Edward Slade. The family appears to have been





SLADE HOMESTEAD









*Phebe (Lawton) Glade*

but temporarily located in Wales. William Slade is first of record in Newport, Rhode Island, in 1659, when he was admitted a freeman of the Colony. He later became one of the early settlers of the Shawomet purchase, which included that part of Swansea, Massachusetts, which became the town of Somerset in 1790. As early as 1680, when the first record of the town begins, Mr. Slade was a resident of Swansea, and the meetings of the proprietors were held at his house after their discontinuance at Plymouth, in 1677. He was a large landholder, his domain including the ferry across the Taunton which has ever been known as Slade's Ferry. This ferry remained in possession of the family until the river was bridged in 1876, at which time it was operated by William Lawton and Jonathan Slade. William Slade married Sarah Holmes, daughter of Rev. Obadiah Holmes, of Rehoboth. (See Holmes II). Their children were: 1. Mary, born May, 1689. 2. William, born in 1692. 3. Edward, mentioned below. 4. Elizabeth, born December 2, 1695. 5. Hannah, born July 15, 1697. 6. Martha, born February 27, 1699. 7. Sarah. 8. Phebe, born September 25, 1701. 9. Jonathan, born August 3, 1703, died aged about eighteen. 10. Lydia, born October 8, 1706; through her, Abraham Lincoln traced descent.

(II) Edward Slade, son of William and Sarah (Holmes) Slade, was born in Swansea, Massachusetts, June 14, 1694. He was a member of the Society of Friends. He married (first), in 1717, Elizabeth Anthony, who bore him one son, William, born September 25, 1718. He married (second), December 6, 1720, Phebe Chase, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Sherman) Chase. (See Chase IV). He married (third) Deborah Buffum. The children of the second marriage were: 1. Samuel, mentioned below. 2. Elizabeth, born April 29, 1723. 3. Joseph, born November 16, 1724. Children of the third marriage: 4. Edward, born November 11, 1728. 5. Philip, born April 19, 1730. 6. Phebe, born July 4, 1737. 7. Mercy, born in 1744.

(III) Samuel Slade, son of Edward and Phebe (Chase) Slade, was born November 26, 1721, in Swansea, where he lived and received from his uncle, Captain Jonathan Slade (who died without issue), the ferry previously alluded to as Slade's Ferry. Besides conducting the ferry he also engaged in agriculture and blacksmithing. He married Mercy Buffum, daughter of Jonathan and Mercy Buffum, born July 3, 1723, in Salem, Massachusetts, died November 18, 1797, in Swansea. (See Buffum IV). Children, all born in Swansea: 1. Jonathan, mentioned below. 2. Robert, born October 7, 1746. 3. Henry, born August 20, 1748. 4. Edward, born September 27, 1749. 5. Samuel, born January 20, 1753. 6. Caleb, born June 24, 1755. 7. Buffum, born May 31, 1757. 8. William, born October 18, 1759. 9. Benjamin, born March 14, 1762.

(IV) Jonathan Slade, son of Samuel and Mercy (Buffum) Slade, was born August 12, 1744, in Swansea, Massachusetts. He passed his entire life there, and died November 16, 1811. He married Mary

Chase, daughter of Daniel and Mary Chase, born 15th of 12th month, 1746, in Swansea, died there September 7, 1814. Children: 1. Jonathan, born 10th of 2nd month, 1768, died 8th of 12th month, 1797. 2. Mercy, born 30th of 6th month, 1770. 3. Mary, born 15th of 4th month, 1772. 4. Anna, born 20th of 1st month, 1775, died 19th of 5th month, 1805. 5. Patience, born 5th of 5th month, 1777, died 26th of 10th month, 1798. 6. William, mentioned below. 7. Nathan, born 10th of 2nd month, 1783. 8. Phebe, born 15th of 5th month, 1785. 9. Hannah, born 18th of 1st month, 1788, died 23rd of 5th month, 1805. 10. Lydia, born 3rd of 4th month, 1791, died 26th of 10th month, 1804.

(V) William (2) Slade, son of Jonathan and Mary (Chase) Slade, was born June 4, 1780, in Swansea, Massachusetts, and resided in that part of the town which later became Somerset, all his life. Here all his children were born, and here he died September 7, 1852. He was an influential and active citizen of the community, and filled many offices of trust and responsibility. In 1812 he was one of the purchasers of the land on which was built the Pocasset Company's mill, one of the first two mills in what was then the town of Troy, now the city of Fall River. These mills were the subsequent pioneers in the cloth-making industry, established in 1813. Mr. Slade was one of the original stockholders in the Fall River Manufactory, and in 1822 was one of the eight incorporators of the Pocasset Manufacturing Company, which gave great impetus to the cotton manufacturing industry of Fall River. He was also an original proprietor of the Watuppa Manufacturing Company. In 1826 he began the operation of a horse boat at the ferry, and in 1846 adopted steam as a motive power.

William Slade married Phebe Lawton, daughter of Dr. William and Abigail (Farrington) Lawton, born August 21, 1781, in Newport, Rhode Island, died March 18, 1874, in her ninety-third year. (See Lawton). Children, all born in Somerset: 1. Abigail L., born January 22, 1809. 2. Lydia Ann, born September 17, 1811. 3. Amanda, born December 2, 1813. 4. Jonathan, born September 23, 1815. 5. William Lawton, mentioned below. 6. David, born September 4, 1819. 7. Mary, born September 30, 1821.

(VI) Hon. William Lawton Slade, son of William (2) and Phebe (Lawton) Slade, was born September 6, 1817, in Somerset, Massachusetts. He was reared upon the homestead farm, attending the common schools of the section and later the Friends' School at Providence. He continued to operate the ferry, and was an extensive farmer, acquiring in his lifetime several fine farms. In 1871 he purchased the ferry property of the Brightmans, lying on the east side of Taunton river, and in company with his brother, Jonathan Slade, was the last to operate the ferry which had been in the family more than two centuries, and was discontinued on the construction of the bridge in 1876.

He early became interested in the manufacturing concerns of Fall River, and was a member of the first board of directors, and later, president of the



Montaup Mills Company, organized in 1871 for the manufacture of duck and cotton bags, then a new industry in Fall River. He was one of the promoters in 1871 of the Slade mill, the first of a group of factories erected in the southern district of the city built on a Slade farm, of which he was director and president. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Stafford Mills, and held stock in several other manufacturing enterprises of Fall River. In 1860 he was made a director of what subsequently became the Fall River National Bank.

For many years he served as a selectman of the town of Somerset, his long continuance in this office testifying to his efficiency. In 1859 and again in 1864 he represented the town of Somerset in the General Assembly of the State, and was a member of the committee on agriculture during his first term, and on public charitable institutions in his second. He was a member of the committee of arrangements for the burial of Senator Charles Sumner. In 1863 he was a member of the Massachusetts Senate, in which body he served as a member of the committee on agriculture. His political affiliations were with the Republican party; though not an office seeker, he accepted public office as a part of his duty as a good citizen. He was often called upon to engage in the settlement of estates and served as a commissioner for that purpose. In him the cause of temperance ever found a staunch and energetic supporter. He was a lifelong member of the Society of Friends.

Mr. Slade died July 29, 1895, and two days later the board of directors of the Slade Mill paid the following tribute to him as a man and as an executive:

William Lawton Slade was one of the originators of this company, and has been its president since the date of its incorporation in 1871. He has always identified himself with its interests, and its welfare has been his constant care. He gave freely of his time and thought to the business of the corporation. Every subject presented to his attention received from him calm consideration and mature deliberation, and his judgment was universally respected. He was broad in his views, far-reaching in his suggestions, and looked not alone to the present, but to the future.

He was a man of noble presence, high character, sound judgment, and unswerving integrity. He was pleasant in his manner, and was universally esteemed and respected.

This corporation has lost in him a firm friend, a wise counsellor and a sagacious advisor, and its directors, each and every one, feel a keen sense of personal bereavement.

It is resolved that we attend his funeral in a body and that copies of this record be furnished to his family and for publication.

HENRY S. FENNER, Clerk.

Mr. Slade married, October 5, 1842, Mary Sherman, daughter of Asa and Elizabeth (Mitchell) Sherman, of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. (See Sherman VI.) She was born September 16, 1815, in Portsmouth, and died March 29, 1900, in Somerset, Massachusetts. Children: 1. Caroline Elizabeth, mentioned below. 2. Abigail L., born March 15, 1848; married James T. Milne; died November 5, 1872. 3. Mary, born July 12, 1852, died August 15, 1877; married Velona W. Haughwout, and left three children: Mary, Alice and Elizabeth; of these, Mary and Elizabeth died in young womanhood, and Alice

is the wife of Preston C. West, and resides in Saskatchewan, Canada. 4. Sarah Sherman, died young. 5. Anna Mitchell, died young.

(VII) Caroline Elizabeth Slade, eldest child of Hon. William Lawton and Mary (Sherman) Slade, was born January 3, 1846, in Somerset, Massachusetts, and became the wife of the late Hezekiah Anthony Brayton, of Fall River. (See Brayton VII.)

**REV. OBADIAH HOLMES**—Rev. Obadiah Holmes, immigrant ancestor and progenitor of this family in America, was born in Preston, Lancashire, England, about the year 1606. Of his early life we have been unable to obtain any information. He came to this country about the year 1639, and settled first in Salem, Massachusetts, and then in Rehoboth, where he resided eleven years. While living here he became a convert to the distinctive views of the Baptists, and was especially strenuous in rejecting infant baptism, and in maintaining the doctrine of "soul liberty." He became a member of the Baptist church of Newport, of which Dr. John Clarke was the pastor, and in July, 1651, was the companion of his minister in the visit to Lynn, Massachusetts, which brought such horrible consequences upon him. He was fined thirty pounds by the magistrates of Boston for his part in the affair. The alternative was the payment of the fine or to be publicly whipped. The fines of Dr. Clarke and his companion, Mr. Crandall, were provided for, but that of Mr. Holmes was not paid. He was kept in prison until September, 1651, when he underwent the cruel penalty of the sentence which had been pronounced against him. According to the testimony of Governor Joseph Jenks, he "was whipped thirty stripes, and in such an unmerciful manner that, in many days, if not some weeks, he would take no rest but as he lay upon his knees and elbows, not being able to suffer any part of his body to touch the bed whereon he lay." On recovering he removed from Rehoboth to Newport, and there assumed the pastorate of Dr. Clarke's church during the latter's absence in England. His connection with the church as pastor and as assistant to Dr. Clarke on his return from England, continued until 1682, when he died at the advanced age of seventy-six years. He was buried in a grave on his own property, over which a monument with suitable inscription was later raised to his memory.

*Holmes Arms*—Barry, wavy of six, or and azure, on a canton, gules, a lion passant of the first.

*Crest*—Out of a naval crown, or, a dexter arm embowed in armor, holding a trident, proper, spear gold.

*Motto*—*Iustum et tenacem propositi.*

(II) Sarah Holmes, daughter of Rev. Obadiah and Katherine (Hyde) Holmes, became the wife of William Slade. (See Slade I.)

(II) Lydia Holmes, daughter of Rev. Obadiah and Katherine (Hyde) Holmes, became the wife of Major John Bowne. Through them was descended the Martyr President, Abraham Lincoln, in the following line: (III) Richard and Sarah (Bowne) Salter. (IV) Mordecai and Hannah (Sal-





Holmes



LINCOLN

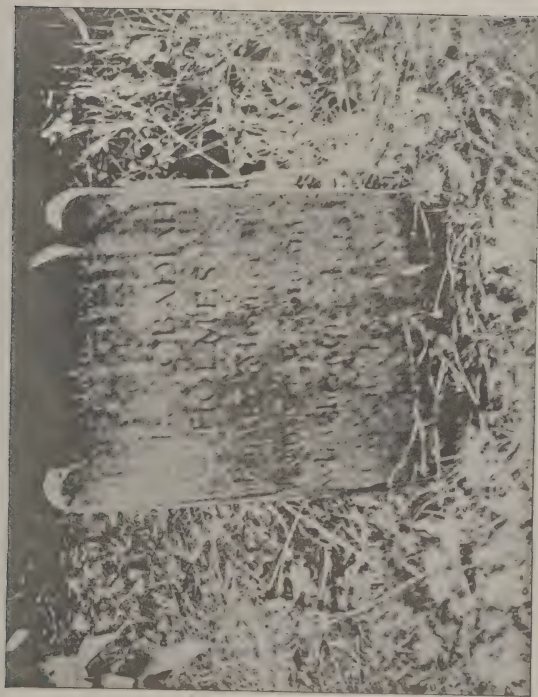








*Clock of Chadwick Holmes*



*Tombstone of Obadiah Holmes*









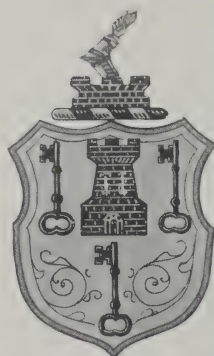
Lynde



Pope



Gidding



Baker



Talbot



Staveley





### EVANS

*Dims*—Sable, a demilion rampant on a bordure-sable bezantee.

### EVITT

*Dims*—Or, three bezants gules, on a canton of the second a mullet of the first.  
*Crest*—A cherub's face.

### GHIBSON (GIBSON)

*Dims*—Sable, a lion rampant argent, adjoined with a crozier in bend sinister or.

*Crest*—A horse rampant argent.

### HAKE

*Dims*—Argent, a tower between three keys erect, sable.

*Crest*—On a tower-sable an arm embowed in armor holding a flint stone proper.

### TALBOT

*Dims*—Argent, three fountains-sable, gules, purple.

*Crest*—A talbot passant, sable.

*Motto*—*Toujours plus.*

### STAVELBY

*Dims*—Argent, on a chevron azure between three bezants-sable as many bezants bezanted or.

#### SWAIN.

*Arms*—Azure, a chevron between three pheons or, on a chief gules as many maidens' heads couped proper, crined of the second.

*Crest*—A maiden's head couped proper, crined or.

#### WEIR.

*Arms*—Argent, on a fess azure three mullets of the field.

*Crest*—A demi-horse in armour proper, bridled and saddled gules.

#### BRIGGS.

*Arms*—Gules, three bars gemelles or, a canton ermine.

*Crest*—On the stump of a tree a pelican or, vulning herself proper.

#### MORRILL (MORRELL).

*Arms*—Azure, on a cross argent a lion rampant gules.

*Crest*—The horns of a bull adhering to the scalp proper.

#### WARD.

*Arms*—Azure, a cross flory or.

*Crest*—A wolf's head erased proper, langued gules.

*Motto*—*Non nobis solum.* (Not for ourselves alone).

#### HILLS.

*Arms*—Ermine, on a fess sable a tower with two turrets proper.

*Crest*—A tower, as in the arms.

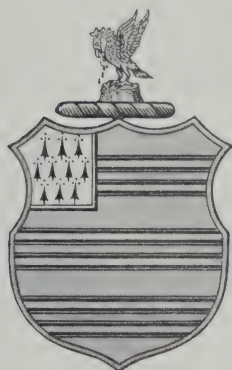




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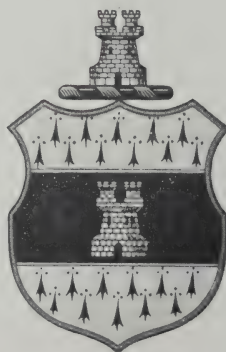
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ter) Lincoln. (V) John and Rebecca (—) Lincoln. (VI) Captain Abraham and Bathsheba (Herring) Lincoln. (VII) Thomas and Nancy (Hanks) Lincoln. (VIII) Abraham Lincoln.

*Lincoln Arms*—Argent, a lion rampant proper.

(The Chase Line).

The surname Chase is of ancient French origin, and had its source in the French verb, *chaser*, to hunt. In the intermingling of the Anglo-Saxon and Norman-French tongues, the word chase was adopted in its original meaning, and later came to be applied to that part of a forest or park termed the chase, an open piece of ground for the herding of deer and other game. Residents near these large deer enclosures, of which every knight or noble had at least one under the Feudal régime, adopted the name Chase as a surname, when the custom spread to the middle classes. Chase families had before this date, however, wielded large power among the landed gentry and nobility. The ancestral seat of the American branch of the ancient English family was at Chesham, Buckinghamshire, through which passes the river Chess. Several immigrants of the name were in the New England colonies in the first half of the seventeenth century. Their progeny is large and prominent, and is today found in every part of the United States. One of the most notable descendants of the early Chase family was the Hon. Salmon Portland Chase, Secretary of the Treasury under President Lincoln, and successor of Judge Roger B. Taney as chief justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

(I) William Chase, immigrant ancestor and founder of the line herein under consideration, was born in England, and came to America in the year 1630 in company with John Winthrop. Thomas and Aquila Chase, who settled in Hampton, New Hampshire, in 1639, were brothers, and are thought by many authorities to have been cousins of William Chase, the first comer. The record of Rev. John Eliot, the Indian Apostle, of "such as adjoined themselves to this church," the first church of Roxbury, has this entry: "William Chase, he came with the first company, bringing with him his wife Mary and his son William." "He later had a daughter which they named Mary, born about the middle of 3rd month 1637, after which date he removed to Scituate, but went with a company who made a new plantation at Yarmouth." On October 19, 1630, William Chase applied for admission as a freeman in Roxbury, where he subsequently became a town officer. In 1634 he was made a freeman in Boston. In 1639 he was constable in Yarmouth, Massachusetts, whither he had removed the year previous, and where he died. His will, proved May 13, 1659, was dated May 4th of that year, and the court ordered Robert Dennis to divide the estate as he ordered. Benjamin, his son, received the third part. In October, 1659, his widow Mary was found dead, and a coroner's inquest decided that she had died a natural death. In 1645 William Chase served against the Narragansett Indians. In 1643, his name as well as that of his son appears on the

list of males able to bear arms, between the ages of sixteen and sixty. In 1645 he was a drummer in Myles Standish's company "that went to the banks opposite Providence."

(II) William (2) Chase, son of William (1) and Mary Chase, was born in England about 1623, and accompanied his parents to America in 1630, at the age of about seven years. In 1638 he removed with his father's family to Yarmouth, where he resided during the remainder of his life, and where he died on February 27, 1685. His home was near the Herring river in the vicinity of what was later known as Denniss or Harwich. The records of the activities have nearly all been lost through the total destruction of the records of the town of Yarmouth by fire. In 1643 he was enrolled as able to bear arms, and in 1645 saw service, and was in Captain Myles Standish's company "that went to the banks opposite Providence." Many of his large family of children became affiliated with the doctrines of the Society of Friends, subsequently removing to Portsmouth, Rhode Island, and to Swansea, Massachusetts.

(III) Samuel Chase, son of William (2) Chase, was born in Yarmouth, Massachusetts. He married, in 1699, Sarah Sherman, daughter of Samuel and Martha (Tripp) Sherman. He was a prosperous farmer and large landholder in Yarmouth.

(IV) Phebe Chase, daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Sherman) Chase, was born January 22, 1700. She married, December 6, 1720, Edward Slade, son of William and Sarah (Holmes) Slade. (See Slade II).

(The Buffum Line).

(I) Robert Buffum, immigrant ancestor and progenitor of a family which has been continuous and prominent in New England for more than two hundred and seventy years, was born in Yorkshire or Devonshire, England, and was in Salem, Massachusetts, as early as the year 1638. He was a yeoman and to some extent a trader. All the family, except Robert Buffum, through sympathy with the Quakers who were then being persecuted, became Quakers themselves. On one occasion Deborah Buffum, youngest daughter of the founder, through great religious fervor and excitement, removed nearly all of her clothing, and marched through the streets of Salem, proclaiming that she was bearing testimony against the nakedness of the world. She was later tried and condemned to walk through the streets of Salem, in the same manner, at the "tail end" of a cart, accompanied by her mother.

Robert Buffum was a husbandman by principal occupation, and the trade he carried on was the sale of garden seeds, which was continued by his widow after his death. She, Tamosin Buffum, was appointed to administer the estate, which was inventoried at two hundred and seventy pounds. He made a will disposing of his worldly estate in manner prescribed by law, but when it was offered for probate the subscribing witnesses, being Friends, would only affirm, and not swear "on the book,"

hence the instrument was refused probate by the court. Robert Buffum died in 1669, and his wife, who was born in 1606, died in 1688. They were the parents of the following children: 1. Joseph, born in 1635; on account of sympathy with the Quakers he was banished from the colony, and returning to England laid his case before the King, who ordered the Salem authorities to take him back, and it is a fact worthy of note that the first Quaker meeting held in New England was later held at his house; he married Damaris Pope. 2. Lydia, born in 1644; married (first) John Hills; (second) George Locker. 3. Margaret, married John Smith. 4. Sarah, married William Beane. 5. Mary, born in 1648; married Jeremiah Beale. 6. Caleb, mentioned below. 7. Deborah, married Robert Wilson.

(II) Caleb Buffum, son of Robert and Tamosin Buffum, was born in Salem, Massachusetts, July 29, 1650, and died in 1731. He and his brother Joseph were executors of their mother's will, which was proved June 19, 1688. Under the will Caleb Buffum received two acres of meadow and a great pewter basin. He married, March 26, 1672, Hannah Pope, who was born about 1648, daughter of Joseph and Gertrude Pope. Their children were: 1. Caleb, born May 14, 1673. 2. Robert, born December 1, 1675. 3. Jonathan, mentioned below. 4. Benjamin. 5. Hannah. 6. Tamosin.

(III) Jonathan Buffum, son of Caleb and Hannah (Pope) Buffum, was born about 1677. He married Mercy —, and they were the parents of several children, among whom the following are recorded: 1. Jonathan, born December 8, 1713, died young. 2. Deborah, born February 1, 1716-17. 3. Jonathan, born September 16, 1719. 4. Mercy, mentioned below. There were probably others, but no record of them can be found.

(IV) Mercy Buffum, daughter of Jonathan and Mercy Buffum, was born July 3, 1723, in Salem, Massachusetts, and died November 18, 1797, in Swansea, Massachusetts. She married Samuel Slade. (See Slade III).

**ASA SHERMAN**—The following is an heraldic description of the coat-of-arms of the Shermans of Yaxley, County Suffolk, given under Henry VII. to Thomas Sherman:

*Arms*—Or, a lion rampant, sable, between three oak leaves vert.

*Crest*—A sea lion, sejant, sable, charged on the shoulder with three bezants, two and one.

*Motto*—*Mortem vince virtute.*

Of the London Shermans, descendants of the Yaxley house:

*Arms*—Same arms. An annulet for difference.

*Crest*—A sea lion, sejant, per pale, or and argent, guttee-de-poix, finned, of the first, gold, on the shoulder a crescent for difference.

Of Ipswich, County Suffolk; brother of Thomas Sherman, of Yaxley:

*Arms*—Azure, a pelican or, vulning her breast proper.

*Crest*—A sea lion, sejant, per pale, or and argent, guttee-de-poix, finned, gold.

The surname of Sherman in England is of German origin, and at the present time in Germany and adjacent countries the name is found spelled Schurman, Schearman, and Scherman. It is derived from the occupation of some progenitor who was a dresser or shearer of cloth. The family bore arms, and probably lived in the County of Suffolk until the fifteenth century, when branches were established in Essex. The name is found in England as early as 1420, and through wills and other documents is traced as follows:

(I) Thomas Sherman, Gentleman, was born about 1420, and resided in Diss and Yaxley, England, dying in 1493. He had a wife Agnes, and a son, John.

(II) John Sherman, Gentleman, born about 1450, died November, 1504. He was of Yaxley. He married Agnes Fullen, daughter of Thomas Fullen. They had a son Thomas.

(III) Thomas (2) Sherman, son of John and Agnes (Fullen) Sherman, was born about 1480, and died in November, 1551. He resided in Diss, on the river Waveney, between the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk. His will mentions property including the manors of Royden and Royden Tuft, with appurtenances, at Royden and Bessingham, and other properties in Norfolk and Suffolk. His wife, Jane, who was probably not his first, was a daughter of John Waller, of Wortham, Suffolk. Children: 1. Thomas. 2. Richard. 3. John. 4. Henry, mentioned below. 5. William. 6. Anthony. 7. Francis. 8. Bartholomew. 9. James.

(IV) Henry Sherman, son of Thomas (2) and Jane (Waller) Sherman, was born about 1530, in Yaxley, and is mentioned in his father's will. His will, made January 20, 1589, proved July 25, 1590, was made at Colchester, where he lived. His first wife, Agnes (Butler) Sherman, was buried October 14, 1580. He married (second) Margery Wilson, a widow. Children: 1. Henry, mentioned below. 2. Edmund, married Anna Clere, died 1601; his son Edmund was the father of Rev. John Sherman, of New Haven, Connecticut, where Edmund died in 1641. 3. Dr. Robert, of London. 4. Judith, married Nicholas Fynce. 5. John, died without issue.

(V) Henry (2) Sherman, son of Henry (1) Sherman, was born about 1555, in Colchester, and resided in Dedham, County Essex, England, where he made his will, August 21, 1610. It was proved on September 8th following. He married Susan Hills, whose will was made ten days after his, and proved in the following month. Six of the sons mentioned below were living when the father died. Children: 1. Henry, born 1571, died in 1642. 2. Samuel, mentioned below. 3. Susan, born in 1575. 4. Edmund, or Edward, born about 1577. 5. Nathaniel, born 158—, died young. 6. Nathaniel, born in 1582. 7. Elizabeth, born about 1587. 8. Ezekiel, born July 25, 1589. 9. Mary, born July 27, 1592. 10. Daniel, died in 1634. 11. Anne, married Thomas Wilson. 12. Phebe, married Simeon Fenn.

(VI) Samuel Sherman, son of Henry (2) and Susan (Hills) Sherman, was born 1572, and died in Dedham, England, in 1615. He married Philippa Ward.



ÆT MEMORIA

IOANNIS SHERMAN, GENEROSI, GVILIELMI FILII LIVS.  
 ET RICHARDI NEPOTIS QVI EX IPSORVM VOTO, VNÀ RESVIESCVT  
 TRES TEGIT HOC VNVM MARMOR: VIRTVIBVS OMNES,  
 VTVMVLO, MERITIS, SANGVINE, LAVDE PARES.  
 HIC PATER, HIC NATVSQ, NEPOSQ, PROPAGINE CLARA  
 SHERMANNI, OTTRÆO, NOMINA CHARA SOLO.  
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 AC VNÀ A CHRISTO LAVREA PARTA BEET.









MORTEM VIRTUTE  
VINCE

Sherman

(The Shermans in America).

(I) Philip Sherman, immigrant ancestor and progenitor of the American branch of the Shermans, was the seventh child of Samuel and Philippa (Ward) Sherman, and was born February 5, 1610, in Dedham, England. He died in March, 1687, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island. He came to America when twenty-three years old, and settled in Roxbury, Massachusetts. Here he was made a freeman, May 14, 1634, standing next on the list after Governor Haynes. In 1635 he returned to England, remaining a short time, but was again in Roxbury, November 20, 1637, when he and others were warned to give up all arms because "the opinions and revelations of Mr. Wheelwright and Mrs. Hutchinson have seduced and led into dangerous errors many of the people here in New England." The church record says that he was brought over to "Familism" by Porter, his wife's stepfather.

In 1636 he was one of the purchasers of the Island of Aquidneck, now Rhode Island, and on the formation of a government, became secretary under Governor William Coddington. The Massachusetts authorities evidently believed he was still under their jurisdiction, for, on March 12, 1638, though he had summons to appear at the next court "to answer such things as shall be objected," he did not answer this summons, but continued to be a prominent figure in Rhode Island affairs. He continued to serve in public office, and was made a freeman March 16, 1641; general recorder from 1648 to 1652, and deputy from 1665 to 1667. He was among the sixteen persons who were requested, on April 4, 1676, to be present at the next meeting of the deputies to give advice and help in regard to the Narragansett campaign. He was public-spirited and enterprising, a man of substance and evidently of considerable influence in local affairs. After his removal to Rhode Island he left the Congregational church and became a member of the Society of Friends. Tradition affirms that he was "a devout but determined man." The early records prepared by him still remain in Portsmouth, and show him to have been a very neat and expert penman, as well as an educated man. His will shows that he was wealthy for the times. In 1634 he married Sarah Odding, stepdaughter of John Porter, of Roxbury, and his wife Margaret, who was a Widow Odding at the time of her marriage to John Porter.

Philip Sherman's children: 1. Eber, born in 1634, lived in Kingstown, Rhode Island; died in 1706. 2. Sarah, born in 1636, married Thomas Mumford. 3. Peleg, born in 1638, died 1719, in Kingstown, Rhode Island. 4. Mary, born 1639, died young. 5. Edmond, born 1641; lived in Portsmouth and Dartmouth; died in 1719. 6. Samson, mentioned below. 7. William, born 1643, died young. 8. John, born 1644; a farmer and blacksmith in what is now South Dartmouth; died April 16, 1734. 9. Mary, born 1645; married Samuel Wilbur. 10. Hannah, born 1647; married William Chase. 11. Samuel, born 1648; lived in Portsmouth; died October 9, 1717. 12. Benjamin, born 1650; lived in Portsmouth.

13. Philippa, born October 1, 1652; married Benjamin Chase.

(II) Samson Sherman, son of Philip and Sarah (Odding) Sherman, was born in 1642, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, where he passed his life, and died June 27, 1718. He married, March 4, 1675, Isabel Tripp, born in 1651, daughter of John and Mary (Paine) Tripp. (See Tripp and Paine). She died in 1716. Children: 1. Philip, born January 16, 1676. 2. Sarah, born September 4, 1677. 3. Alice, born January 12, 1680. 4. Samuel, born January 28, 1682. 5. Abiel, born October 15, 1683. 6. Isabel, born 1686. 7. Job, mentioned below.

(III) Job Sherman, son of Samson and Isabel (Tripp) Sherman, was born November 8, 1687, in Portsmouth, and died there November 16, 1747. He married (first), December 23, 1714, Bridget Gardiner, of Kingstown, and (second), in 1732, Amie Spencer, of East Greenwich, Rhode Island. Children of the first married: 1. Philip, born October 12, 1715. 2. Israel, born October 31, 1717. 3. Mary, born January 16, 1719. 4. Job, born May 2, 1722. 5. Bridget, born May 7, 1724. 6. Sarah, born October 29, 1726. 7. Alice, born April 25, 1728. 8. Mary, born October 13, 1730. Children of the second marriage: 9. Amie, born May 27, 1734. 10. Benjamin, born September 14, 1735. 11. Samson (2), mentioned below. 12. Martha, born November 28, 1738. 13. Walter, born August 20, 1740. 14. Dorcas, born November 2, 1742. 15. Abigail, born September 10, 1744.

(IV) Samson (2) Sherman, son of Job and Amie (Spencer) Sherman, was born July 23, 1737, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, where he spent his life, engaged in agriculture and died January 24, 1801. He married, December 9, 1761, Ruth Fish, daughter of David and Jemima (Tallman) Fish, of Portsmouth. Children: 1. Walter, born April 4, 1763; married Rebecca Anthony, of Portsmouth. 2. Amy, born January 6, 1764; married Daniel Anthony, of Portsmouth. 3. Job, born January 21, 1766; married Alice Anthony. 4. Susanna, born October 19, 1767; married Peleg Almy, of Portsmouth. 5. Hannah, born January 27, 1769; married Jonathan Dennis, of Portsmouth. 6. Anne, born November 19, 1770; married Nathan Chase of Portsmouth. 7. David, born June, 1772; married Waite Sherman, of Portsmouth. 8. Ruth, born October 21, 1773, died in infancy. 9. Ruth, born February 20, 1778; married Obadiah David, of New Bedford, Massachusetts. 10. Asa, mentioned below. 11. Abigail, born April 2, 1782; married Abram David, of Fairhaven, Massachusetts. 12. Mary, born November 18, 1783; married David Shove, of Berkley, Massachusetts.

(V) Asa Sherman, son of Samson (2) and Ruth (Fish) Sherman, was born December 22, 1779, in Portsmouth, and died in Fall River, December 29, 1863. His remains were interred in the Friends' Cemetery, Portsmouth. He was a birthright member of the Society of Friends, was a farmer and landowner in Portsmouth. He married, at Friends' Meeting, in Newport, November 11, 1805, Elizabeth Mitchell, born October 17, 1782, in Middletown,



Rhode Island, daughter of Richard and Joanna (Lawton) Mitchell. (See Mitchell IV). Children: 1. Ruth, born November 21, 1806. 2. Joanna, born July 30, 1808, died in Fall River, September 9, 1863. 3. Sarah, born February 30, 1810; married, November 20, 1839, Abner Slade, of Swansea, Massachusetts. 4. Amy, born September 16, 1811; married, October 21, 1839, Mark Anthony, of Taunton, Massachusetts. 5. Richard Mitchell, born September 16, 1813. 6. Mary, mentioned below. 7. Asa, born December 23, 1817. 8. Daniel, born June 25, 1820. 9. William, born April 19, 1823. 10. Annie, born July 17, 1826, died in Fall River, January 15, 1849.

(VI) Mary Sherman, fifth daughter of Asa and Elizabeth (Mitchell) Sherman, was born September 16, 1815, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island. She married, October 5, 1842, Hon. William Lawton Slade, of Somerset, Massachusetts. (See Slade VI).

(The Paine Line).

For the origin of the surname Paine we must trace far beyond the opening of the surname period into the Graeco-Roman civilization. In the classical Latin of Tacitus *paganus* (from which Payne and Paine were ultimately evolved) is frequently found in contradistinction to *miles* or *armatus*, where comparison is made between a regular enrolled soldier (*armatus*) and the raw half-armed rustics who sometimes formed a rude militia in Roman wars, or, more widely, between a soldier and a civilian. Paganus retained its original significance, although this was lost sight of during the ages which followed the introduction of Christianity. The name meant literally in the beginning, a villager, the resident of a pagus, a canton, country district or commune. In its early application *paganus* was used by the Christian church to denote those who refused to believe in the one true God. It has long been accepted that the application of the name *paganus*, villager, to non-Christians was due to the fact that it was in the rural districts that the old faiths lingered longest.

The English form comes to us through the French Pagan of Payan, a country-man. This was a favorite fontname in the twelfth, thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, which would account for its great popularity as a surname. Payan and Payn came into England with the Norman Conquest. The following verse from Chaucer illustrates the use of the word:

The Constable and Dame Hermegile, his wife,  
Were payenes and that country everywhere.  
—*Man of Lawes Tale*.

*Arms*—Paly of six argent and vert, on a chief azure three garbs or.

*Crest*—A lion rampant proper, supporting a wheat sheaf or.

There were several immigrants of the name in the New England colonies before the close of the seventeenth century, the majority of whom became the founders of families which have left the impress of the name on the history of the communities in which they settled. The Rhode Island family com-

prises the descendants of Anthony Paine, who was among the earliest settlers of the town of Portsmouth.

(I) Anthony Paine, immigrant ancestor and progenitor, was a native of England. He is first of record in the American colonies in 1638, when he is recorded as an inhabitant of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. On April 30, 1639, he was one of the twenty-nine signers of the following compact for a form of civil government for Portsmouth: "We whose names are underwritten, do acknowledge ourselves the legal subjects of His Majesty, King Charles, and in his name do hereby bind ourselves into a civil body politic, unto his laws according to matters of justice." On November 10, 1643, he entered into an agreement with Rose Grinnell, prior to their marriage, that upon the death of either, the property of the one deceased should go to the children of that person. Anthony Paine died in 1650; his will bears the date, May 6, 1649. He was twice married. His first wife died before 1643, in which year he married (second) Rose Grinnell, daughter of Matthew Grinnell; she later married James Weeden, and died some time after 1673.

(II) Mary Paine, daughter of Anthony Paine, became the wife of John Tripp, of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. She survived her husband, and married (second), April 4, 1683, Benjamin Engell, and died February 12, 1687. From Mary (Paine) Tripp the line descends to Caroline E. (Slade) Brayton, through her son, James Tripp, and her daughters Elizabeth and Isabel Tripp.

(The Line Through James Tripp).

(III) James Tripp, son of John and Mary (Paine) Tripp, married Mercy Lawton, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Hazard) Lawton.

(IV) Elizabeth Tripp, daughter of James and Mercy (Lawton) Tripp, became the wife of Richard Mitchell, founder of the Mitchell family in Rhode Island. (See Mitchell I).

(V) James Mitchell, son of Richard and Elizabeth (Tripp) Mitchell, married Anna Folger, daughter of Jethro and Mary (Starbuck) Folger. (See Folger V).

(VI) Richard Mitchell, son of James and Anna (Folger) Mitchell, married Joanna Lawton, daughter of John and Sarah Lawton.

(VII) Elizabeth Mitchell, daughter of Richard and Joanna (Lawton) Mitchell, married Asa Sherman. (See Sherman V).

(VIII) Mary Sherman, daughter of Asa and Elizabeth (Mitchell) Sherman, became the wife of the Hon. William Lawton Slade, of Fall River, Massachusetts, and mother of:

(IX) Caroline Elizabeth Slade, daughter of Hon. William Lawton and Mary (Sherman) Slade, became the wife of the late Hezekiah Anthony Brayton, of Fall River. (See Brayton VII).

(The Line Through Elizabeth Tripp).

(III) Elizabeth Tripp, daughter of John and Mary (Paine) Tripp, became the wife of Zuriel Hall.

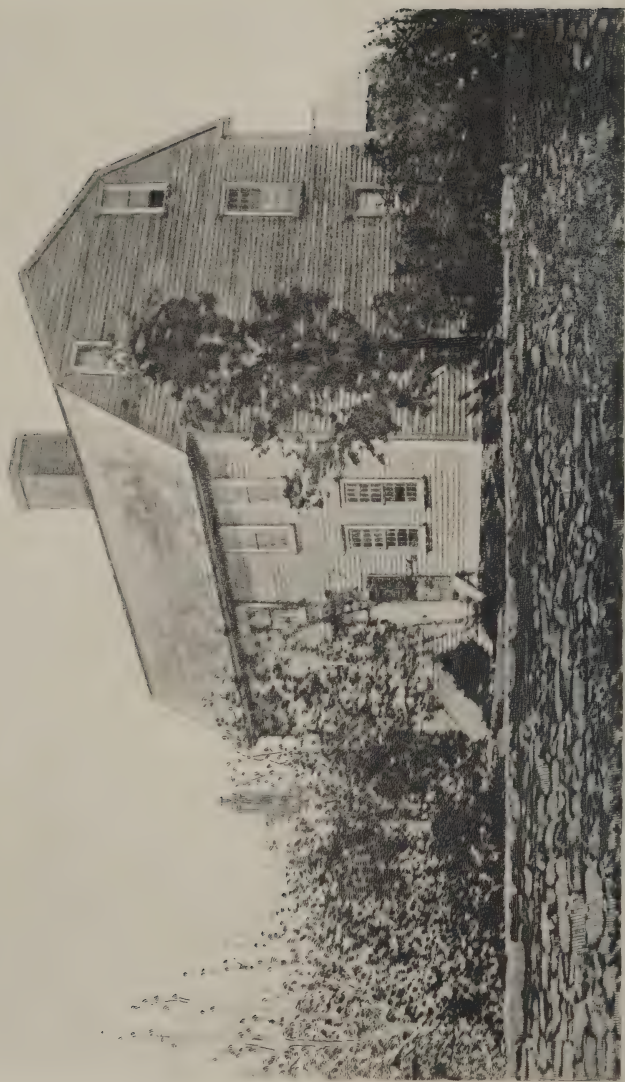


*Elizabeth Mitchell Sherman*









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(IV) Mary Hall, daughter of Zuriel and Elizabeth (Tripp) Hall, married Robert Fish.

(V) David Fish, son of Robert and Mary (Hall) Fish, married Jemima Tallman, daughter of James and Hannah (Swain) Tallman.

(VI) Ruth Fish, daughter of David and Jemima (Tallman) Fish, married Samson (2) Sherman. (See Sherman IV).

(VII) Asa Sherman, son of Samson (2) and Ruth (Fish) Sherman, married Elizabeth Mitchell, daughter of Richard and Joanna (Lawton) Mitchell.

(VIII) Mary Sherman, married Hon. William Lawton Slade.

(IX) Caroline Elizabeth (Slade) Brayton.

(The Line Through Isabel Tripp).

(III) Isabel Tripp, daughter of John and Mary (Paine) Tripp, married Samson Sherman. (See Sherman II).

(IV) Job Sherman, son of Samson and Isabel (Tripp) Sherman, married Amie Spencer.

(V) Samson (2) Sherman, son of Job and Amie (Spencer) Sherman, married Ruth Fish.

(VI) Asa Sherman, son of Samson (2) and Ruth (Fish) Sherman, married Elizabeth Mitchell.

(VII) Mary Sherman, daughter of Asa and Elizabeth (Mitchell) Sherman, married Hon. William Lawton Slade.

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**RICHARD MITCHELL**—Among prominent persons of the Mitchell family are to be named the following:

Sir Andrew Mitchell was vice-admiral of the British fleet that forced the entrance to Texel Island, Holland, in the war against the French and the Dutch, in 1794. He captured the Dutch fleet, helping to establish the naval supremacy of Great Britain.

Sir Charles H. B. Mitchell, high commissioner of the State of Perak, one of the Malay States, was directly responsible for the first meeting of the native chiefs and the British residents for the purpose of friendly discussion, in 1897.

James Mitchell, Scotchman, who perfected an ingenious amplification of the Maelzel metronome.

John Mitchell, who perfected and manufactured the first machine that made steel pens.

J. A. Mitchell, one of the founders and the first editor of the weekly magazine, "Life."

J. C. Mitchell, one of the most famous of the early racquet players.

J. K. Mitchell, one of the pioneers of the liquid gas field. He first froze sulphurous acid gas to a solid.

Dr. P. Chalmers Mitchell, member of the Zoölogical Society of London, a recognized authority in the study of mammalia.

R. A. H. Mitchell, Eton, Oxford, Hants, prominent Britainer, and the greatest cricket player of all times.

W. M. Mitchell, well known astronomer, specializing in the study of the sun.

Maria Mitchell, of the Rhode Island branch, prominent American astronomer and educator.

Dr. Samuel Latham Mitchell, of the Long Island branch, United States Senator and author, who urged the adoption of Freedonia as the proper name for this country in his "Address to the Fredes or People of the United States."

Stephen Mitchell, a tobacco manufacturer of international repute, who founded the second largest library in Scotland.

(The Mitchells in America).

*Arms*—Sable, a fess wavy between three masles or.

*Crest*—A phoenix in flames proper.

*Motto*—*Spernit humum.*

There are many branches of this family scattered throughout the United States, founded in the early Colonial days by several representatives of the house who came from England and Scotland and settled principally in the New England States. The descendants were numerous, and migrated from one part of the country to another as new regions were opened. Almost invariably, however, members of the various branches are to be found within a short distance of the original location of the progenitor.

The Mitchells of Rhode Island form one of the oldest as well as one of the most distinguished branches of the family in the United States. They comprise the descendants of Richard Mitchell, of Newport.

The Mitchells of Roanoke county, Virginia, founded in the early part of the seventeenth century, have continued to live on and in the vicinity of the old family estate. They are related by marriage to the family of Colonel Zachary Lewis, whose father was a messmate of General Washington during the war with the French. They are connected in the same degree with the Thomas and Graham families, the latter that of a governor of North Carolina, William Graham.

The Pennsylvania family was founded by the descendants of William Mitchell and his wife Elizabeth, who emigrated from Yorkshire, England, and settled in Bermuda. Offspring of this branch also settled in Baltimore. Another branch of York county, Pennsylvania, claims George Mitchell, born in Scotland in 1734, as progenitor.

The Long Island family, of ancient origin, has furnished many famous public men. The Nantucket stock, of which Professor Maria Mitchell, and her brother, Henry Mitchell, were descended, has been highly distinguished. The Connecticut Mitchells claim kin with Rebecca Motte, of Revolutionary fame; with Governor Saltonstall and Governor Dudley, and also with the Gardiners of Gardiner's Island.

One western branch of the family claim "Honest John Hart," one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence from New Jersey, as an ancestor. James Mitchell, a Scotch settler from Glasgow in 1730, founded the family which produced among

other well known men, Stephen Mitchell, who was one of the settlers of Wethersfield, Connecticut, and a member of the first Continental Congress held at Philadelphia. He was also chief justice of Connecticut. Donald Mitchell, best known as "Ike Marvel," the essayist, was of the third generation in America. Stephen Mitchell had six sons, all college graduates. Matthew Mitchell was the progenitor of another family in Connecticut. He was a passenger on the "James" in 1635, together with his wife and child, and settled in Connecticut, near Wethersfield, of which place he became town clerk in 1639. He was a representative at court from Saybrook; he took an active part in the Pequot War, and removed to Hempstead, Long Island, in 1643. The town of Hingham, Massachusetts, was probably named by Edward Mitchell, a passenger on the ship "Diligent" from Hingham, England, in 1638.

Experience Mitchell, who lived in Plymouth, Duxbury, and Bridgewater, Massachusetts, came from England on the "Ann," in 1623. He married Jane Cook, daughter of Francis Cook, one of the "Mayflower" passengers.

Many of the famous figures of the Revolution were members of the Mitchell family. They include: Major Abiel and Colonel Mitchell, from Massachusetts; Captain Alexander Mitchell from New Jersey; Nathaniel Mitchell, captain of a battalion of the Flying Camp, from Delaware; Captain Joseph Mitchell, from Virginia; Captain James and Major Ephraim Mitchell, of South Carolina, and Lieutenant John Mitchell, of Georgia.

(The Rhode Island Mitchells).

(I) Richard Mitchell, immigrant ancestor and progenitor, was a native of Bricktown, Isle of Wight, Great Britain, born in 1686. There he learned the trade of tailor, and on attaining his majority decided to go into business for himself in his native place. He visited London in order to obtain the necessary materials, and while there was seized by a press gang, and taken on board a man-of-war. Tailors were not then exempted, as were mechanics, from impressment. The vessel on which he sailed spent some time at Newport, Rhode Island, and here Richard Mitchell found opportunity to escape. Tradition runs to the effect that he made a suit of clothes for the governor's son, which so pleased the latter that he secreted him and kept him in concealment until after the vessel had sailed. He continued to reside in Newport, and became a member of the Society of Friends, later taking a prominent part in local affairs.

In 1708 he married Elizabeth Tripp, of Dartmouth, Massachusetts, born in 1685, daughter of James and Mercy (Lawton) Tripp, granddaughter of James and Mary (Paine) Tripp, and of George and Elizabeth (Hazard) Lawton; she was the great-granddaughter of Thomas Hazard, founder of the noted Hazard family of Rhode Island. Richard Mitchell died September 24, 1722, at the age of thirty-six years, and his widow married (second),

April 18, 1734, William Wood; she died February 13, 1740. Children of Richard and Elizabeth (Tripp) Mitchell: 1. Elizabeth, born July 13, 1709; married, December 8, 1726, Jabez Carpenter. 2. Mary, born October 17, 1712; married, May 18, 1732, Caleb Coggeshall. 3. James, mentioned below. 4. Richard, born September 5, 1719; settled in Nantucket, Massachusetts. 5. Joseph, born November 25, 1720.

(II) James Mitchell, first son of Richard and Elizabeth (Tripp) Mitchell, was born April 20, 1715, in Newport, Rhode Island. He was a member of the Society of Friends, in which he was an elder. He lived for a time in Nantucket, Massachusetts, and ther married Anna Folger, daughter of Jethro and Mary (Starbuck) Folger, of Nantucket. He moved later to Middletown, Rhode Island, near the Portsmouth line, and continued to reside there until his death on October 5, 1799. Children: 1. Mary, born November 10, 1739; married Matthew Barker, of Newport. 2. James, born August 31, 1743; married Elizabeth Anthony. 3. Elizabeth, born July 9, 1746; married Giles Hoosier. 4. Hep-sabeth, born March 14, 1750; married (first) Peter Chase; (second) David Buffum. 5. Richard, mentioned below.

(III) Richard (2) Mitchell, son of James and Anna (Folger) Mitchell, was born November 25, 1754, in Middletown, Rhode Island, and lived in that town, near what is known as Mitchell's Lane, where he died October 26, 1833, and where he is buried. He married, November 6, 1776, Joanna Lawton, a native of Portsmouth, daughter of John and Sarah Lawton, who died August 6, 1830. Children: 1. Jethro Folger, born March 14, 1778; married Anne Gould. 2. Isaac, born August 21, 1779; married Sarah Gould. 3. John, born January 15, 1781; married Katherine Gould. 4. Elizabeth, mentioned below. 5. Peter, born July 3, 1784; married Mary Wales. 6. Sarah, born May 19, 1787. 7. Joanna, born December 3, 1788; married David Rodman. 8. Ann, born August 6, 1791. 9. Richard, born February 20, 1793.

(IV) Elizabeth Mitchell, eldest daughter of Richard (2) and Joanna (Lawton) Mitchell, was born in Middletown, Rhode Island, October 17, 1782. She became the wife of Asa Sherman, of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. (See Sherman V).

The most prominent member of the Nantucket family of that name, descendant of old Quaker stock, Maria Mitchell, was born August 1, 1818, the daughter of William Mitchell. Her father, William Mitchell (1791-1869) was a school teacher and a self-taught astronomer, who rated chronometers for Nantucket whalers. He was well known in the New England States as a learned man, and held the position of overseer of Harvard University from 1857 to 1865, with all the prestige attached to such an office. For a time he was in the employ of the United States Coast Survey, and did some excellent work in that department.

Miss Maria Mitchell had as early as 1831 (during the annual eclipse of the sun) been her father's assistant, and the progress she made under his tutorage, together with the certain genius she pos-



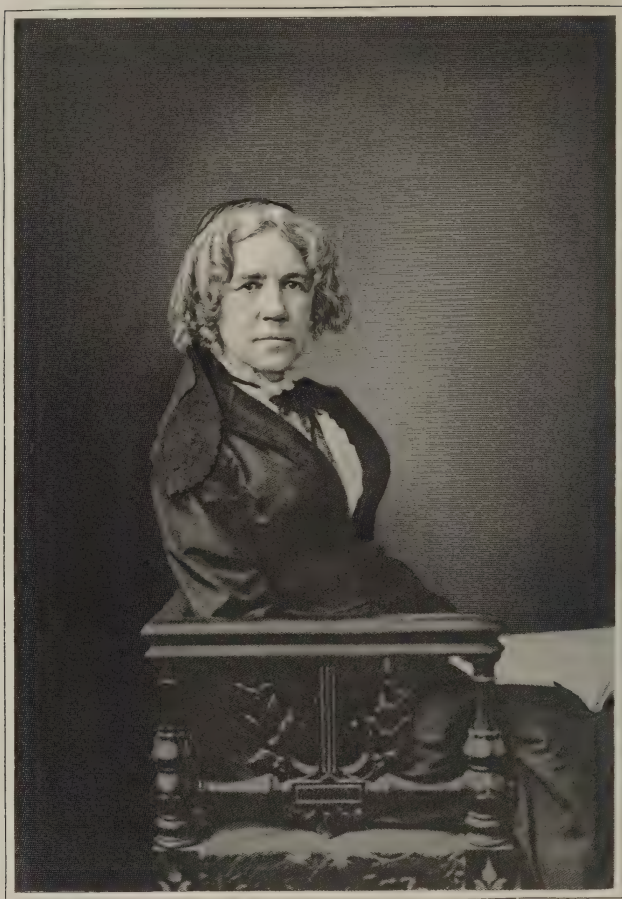


**Mitchell.**









Mary Nuttall



THE NANTUCKET MITCHELL HOMESTEAD





sessed in the science, may be visualized from the fact that sixteen years later, on October 1, 1847, she discovered a telescopic comet, seen by De Vico on October 3, by W. R. Dawes, October 7, and by Madame Runkler, October 11. For this discovery, outstripping as she did the famous astronomers of the world, she received a gold medal with the congratulations of the King of Denmark, and was elected in 1848 to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, being the first woman member of the organization. In 1850, as further recognition of her excellent work, she was elected a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

She removed from Nantucket to Lynn, Massachusetts, in 1861, setting up in the latter city the great equatorial telescope which had been presented to her by popular subscription by the women of America. Here she lived and studied until late in the year 1865, when she was chosen professor of astronomy and director of the Observatory at Vassar College. She continued actively in this position until 1888, how she became professor emeritus. For many years she had specialized in the study of Jupiter and Saturn, and in 1874 began to make photographs of the sun. She died in Lynn, Massachusetts, June 28, 1889.

Henry Mitchell (1830-1902), her brother, was a famous hydrographer.

Adjoining the Maria Mitchell homestead, which is still carefully preserved, stands a memorial astronomical observatory and library erected in Miss Mitchell's honor, by popular subscription, in 1908. In it are kept the valuable collections and records which she and her brother made during years of patient research in the fields of their chosen sciences.

(The Folger Line).

The genealogical notes of Benjamin Franklin contain an inference that the Folger family, of which he was a descendant, was of Flemish origin, and was established in England at the time of Queen Elizabeth. His gleanings on the subject constitute all we know of the early records in America, from the time of the immigrant ancestor down, which are very complete, however, and are evidence that the family played an important part in the life and affairs of the early settlement of Nantucket, Massachusetts, from the time of its founding.

(I) John Folger, immigrant ancestor and progenitor, was a native of England, and possibly a resident of Norwich, County Norfolk, whence he sailed for America in 1635, with his son, Peter Folger. He is said to have come on the same ship with Hugh Peters. In 1642 John Folger owned a homestead and six acres of land in Watertown. Although there is no actual record of the fact, it is probable that John and Peter Folger accompanied Thomas Mayhew, Jr., to Martha's Vineyard in 1641-42. John Folger owned a house, upland, commonage and meadow land at the Vineyard, and resided there until his death, about 1660. His widow was Meribell Folger, whose surname is said to have been Gibbs.

(II) Peter Folger, son of John Folger, was born in England in 1617, and accompanied his father to America in 1635, removing with him to the Vineyard in 1641-42. While here he taught school and surveyed land, also assisting Thomas Mayhew, Jr., in his labors as missionary among the Indians. Rev. Experience Mayhew, in a letter to John Gardner, Esquire, dated 1694, states that when Thomas Mayhew, Jr., left for England in 1657, he left the care of his church and mission to Peter Folger. At a meeting of the proprietors of Nantucket, held in Salisbury, Massachusetts, in the latter part of 1660 or early in 1661, five persons were chosen to measure the land. Peter Folger was one of these, and as evidence of the remarkable confidence of the people in him, we have the order stating that the proceeding of any three of this body of men should be accounted legal and valid, if Peter Folger was one. In the summer of 1659 he is said to have accompanied Tristram Coffin and others who visited the Island of Nantucket to view it at the time of the purchase from Mayhew. He was there in 1661-62 as a surveyor, and although not one of the first proprietors he may be regarded as a very early settler, having removed to the Island in 1663, at the invitation of the proprietors who deeded him half a share of land on the condition that he would live in Nantucket and act as interpreter among the Indians. The following is the deed of the property, dated Nantucket, July 4, 1663:

These presents witnesseth that we whose names are underwritten do give, and grant unto peter folger, half a share of accommodations on the land above sayd, that is to say half so much as one of the twenty purchasers, both in respect to upland meadow, wood, timber and other appurtenances belonging to him and his heirs forever on condition that he com to inhabit the Island aforesayd with his family within one year after the sale hereof. Likewise that the sayd peter shall attend the English in the way of an Interpreter between the Indians and them upon all necessary occasions, his house lot to be layd at the place commonly called by the name of Rogers field so as may be most convenient

Witness our hands.

John Smyth,  
Thomas Macy,  
Edward Starbuck,  
John Swayne,  
Robert Barnard,  
Richard Swayne,  
John Rolfe,  
Thomas Mayhew,

Tristram Coffin, Sr., for  
myself and others being  
empowered by them;  
Peter Coffin,  
Steven Greenleaf,  
Tristram Coffin, Jr.,  
William Pile, two shares;  
Nathaniel Starbuck,  
Thomas Coffin,

Cotton Mather describes Peter Folger as an "Able Godley Englishman who was employed in teaching the youth in Reading, Writing and the Principles of Religion by Catechism, being well learned likewise in the Scriptures and Capable of Help in religious matters." On July 21, 1673, he was chosen clerk of the court and recorder, which office he held for many years. To him fell the laurels as the greatest scholar of the early community. His poem, "A Looking Glass for the Times," published April 23, 1676, shows him an advocate of religious liberty and strongly condemns the persecuting spirit of New England. It is believed that when an old man he embraced the views of the Friends. Peter Folger died in 1690. In 1644 he married Mary Morrill, who had been

an inmate of the family of Hugh Peters; she died in 1704. Among their children were: 1. John, mentioned below. 2. Abiah, who became the wife of Josiah Franklin, of Boston, and mother of Benjamin Franklin.

(III) John Folger, son of Peter and Mary (Morrill) Folger, was born in 1659. He was a miller and a prosperous farmer. His home was in that part of Nantucket now called Polpis. He married Mary Barnard, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Barnard) Barnard. (See Barnard III).

(IV) Jethro Folger, son of John (2) and Mary (Barnard) Folger, was born in Nantucket, Massachusetts, 17th of 8th month, 1689. He was a large land owner, and a prominent citizen of Nantucket all his life. In October, 1710, he married Mary Starbuck, daughter of Nathaniel and Dinah (Coffin) Starbuck. (See Starbuck IV). Jethro Folger was a member of the Society of Friends.

(V) Anna Folger, daughter of Jethro and Mary (Starbuck) Folger, was born in Nantucket, Massachusetts, in 1720. In 1738, she married James Mitchell. (See Mitchell II).

(The Barnard Line).

The Barnard family in New England was founded by two brothers, Thomas and Robert Barnard, who arrived in the New World about 1630, and subsequently were identified prominently with the foundation and development of the settlement upon the Island of Nantucket. The ancestry hereinafter traced is derived through both of these brothers.

*Arms*—Argent, a bear rampant sable, muzzled or.

*Crest*—Out of a ducal coronet or, a demi-bear rampant sable, muzzled or.

*Motto*—*Fer et perfer.* (Bear and Forbear.)

Line of Thomas Barnard:

(I) Thomas Barnard, one of the founders of the Barnard family in America, was born in England about 1612. In the year 1640 he is found of residence in Salisbury, Massachusetts, and later he bought land on the west side of the Powow river (now in Amesbury) and removed thither. In 1659 he joined in one of the most historic transactions preserved in New England history. In that year he entered with others in the purchase of the Island of Nantucket, and acquired there large land holdings. Later, he transferred one-half of his Nantucket possessions to his brother, Robert Barnard. Previously, he had been prominent in the affairs of Salisbury and Amesbury. On May 1, 1654, when the "Articles of Agreement between the Inhabitants of the Old Town and Those of the New Town," were entered into, his signature, among others, was affixed thereto. In the division of land in 1654 he is among those mentioned, and in the "Amesbury Commoners" of 1667-68, Thomas Barnard, Sr. and Jr., appear. Thomas Barnard is also cited as one of the "Brethren of Ye Church." He received land in the first division at Salisbury and also in 1640 and 1643; in 1665, he was a grand juror at Amesbury; and his name appears on various lists as late as 1672. Whether he actually re-

moved to Nantucket and there resided does not definitely appear; the records of Nantucket simply state that "Thomas Barnard died abroad." This, however, would seem to indicate that he was a resident of Nantucket. A tragic fate awaited him, he being killed by the Indians in 1677. He married Eleanor ——. She administered upon his estate in 1677, and the inventory was taken 21st of 6th month, 1677. She married (second) George Little, of Newbury, and died November 27, 1694. Thomas and Eleanor Barnard were the parents of nine children.

Line of Robert Barnard:

(I) Robert Barnard, other founder of the Barnard family in America, brother of Thomas Barnard, was a resident of Salisbury and Andover, and thence removed to Nantucket. From his brother Thomas he had acquired a considerable interest in Nantucket, whither he went in 1663, and where he died in 1862. He married Joanna Harvey, who survived him, and died in Nantucket, March 31, 1705. Their daughter, Mary Banard, married her cousin, Nathaniel Barnard, son of Thomas Barnard, and thus joined the two lines of Barnard.

(II) Nathaniel Barnard, son of Thomas and Eleanor Barnard, was born 15th of 11th month, 1642, in Salisbury, Massachusetts. Until about 1665, he continued to reside in Amesbury, but thereafter removed to Sherburn, on the Island of Nantucket, and remained there throughout his life. He is called a "planter" and was a prominent figure in the struggling settlement. By his marriage he joined the two lines of Barnard, his wife being a daughter of Robert Barnard, brother of Thomas Barnard, the two founders of the family in America. Nathaniel Barnard died in Nantucket, May 3, 1718. He married Mary Barnard, daughter of Robert and Joanna (Harvey) Barnard. She died in Nantucket, March 7, 1717-18. They were the parents of seven children.

(II) Mary Barnard, daughter of Robert and Joanna (Harvey) Barnard, was born in Andover, Massachusetts, April 8, 1658. She died in Nantucket, March 7, 1717-18. She married Nathaniel Barnard, son of Thomas and Eleanor Barnard. Issue seven children.

(III) Mary Barnard, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Barnard) Barnard, was born in Nantucket, Massachusetts. She died 6th of 8th month, 1737 (O. S.), aged nearly seventy years. She married John Folger, son of Peter and Mary (Morrill) Folger, the distinguished Nantucket family. (See Folger III).

**JAMES COFFIN**—At Fallaise, a town in Normandy, stands the old chateau of Courtitout, once the home of the Norman Coffin family; the name is now extinct in that vicinage, and the chateau is owned by Monsier Le Clere, who is the grandson of the last Mademoiselle Coffin, who married a Le Clere in 1796. Until her marriage the above mentioned chateau had always remained in the family name. (The above information came through Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin, who was born in Boston,







Hall



Paine



Tripp



Fish



Tallman



Hazard



#### HALL.

*Arms*—Argent, three talbots' heads erased sable, between nine cross crosslets azure.

*Crest*—A dragon's head couped azure, collared argent.

#### PAINE.

*Arms*—Paly of six argent and vert, on a chief azure three garbs or.

*Crest*—A lion rampant proper, supporting a wheat sheaf or.

#### TRIPP.

*Arms*—Gules, a chevron between three nags' heads erased or, bridled sable.

*Crest*—An eagle's head gules, issuing out of rays or.

#### FISH.

*Arms*—Azure, a fesse wavy or, between two crescents in chief, and a dolphin embowed in base, argent.

*Crest*—On a rock proper a stork ermine, beaked and legged gules, charged on the breast with an increscent of the last.

#### TALLMAN (TALMAN).

*Arms*—Gules, a chevron, in chief two daggers, points downward, in base a sword, point upwards, or.

*Crest*—An arm embowed in armor proper, holding a battle axe.

*Motto*—*In fide et in bello fortis.*

#### HAZARD.

*Arms*—Azure, a garb or.

*Crest*—On the top of an anchor in the sea, a dove holding in the beak an olive branch proper.

#### FOLGER.

*Arms*—Azure, on a bend between two bundles of five arrows each argent, three mullets of the field.

#### BARNARD.

*Arms*—Argent, a bear rampant sable, muzzled or.

*Crest*—Out of a ducal coronet or, a demi-bear rampant sable, muzzled gold.

*Motto*—*Pier et prefer.* Meaning: Bear and forbear.

#### HUSSEY.

*Arms*—Quarterly, 1st and 4th, or, a cross vert charged with a mullet of the first; 2nd and 3rd, barry of six ermine and gules.

*Crest*—A hind lodged under an oak tree proper, ducally gorged and chained or.

#### KENDALL.

*Arms*—Argent, a chevron between three dolphins naiant embowed sable.

*Motto*—*Virtus depressa resurgat.* (Virtue downtrodden will rise again).

#### STARBUCK.

*Arms*—Argent, a fess gules, bordered azure, between four stars of six points each, of the third.

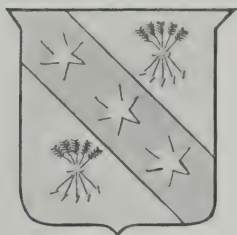
*Crest*—A lion's head erased or.

#### FRANKLIN.

*Arms*—Argent, on a bend between three lions' heads erased gules, two dolphins or.







Holger



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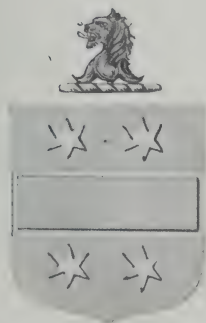
Bernard



Hussey



Wendall



Starbuck



Franklin







TRISTRAM COFFIN,  
THE FIRST OF THE RACE THAT SETTLED IN AMERICA.  
FIRST CHIEF MAGISTRATE OF  
NANTUCKET, 1671.

BE UNITED DO HONOR TO HIS NAME



Massachusetts, May 16, 1759, became an English citizen, was raised to the baronetcy, and granted a coat-of-arms in 1804.) The family traces its ancestry to Sir Richard Coffin, Knight, who accompanied William the Conqueror to England in the year 1066, to whom the manor of Alwington in the County of Devon was assigned. There are various branches of the family in County Devon. The English records show the name Covin, whence it was changed to Cophin, Kophin, Coffyn. The surname signifies literally "the bald" and is derived originally from the French *chauve*, which means bald. Before 1254 the family was flourishing at Portledge-near-the-Sea, in the parish of Alwington, five miles from Biddeford, England. The name was early brought to Massachusetts, and has been borne by many leaders of the life and affairs of the Colony and Commonwealth. The Coffin family was not as conspicuous during the American Revolution as they undoubtedly would have been had their location been different. The Island of Nantucket, their home, was visited by British warships frequently, the inhabitants were intimidated and obliged to preserve an unwilling neutrality. Tristram Coffin, founder of the New England family of the name, was beyond doubt a descendant of Sir Richard Coffin of the Conqueror's train; the direct line, however, begins with Tristram Coffin, mentioned below.

*Coffin (Coffyn) Arms*—Azure, four bezants between five crosses crosslet or.

*Crest*—A bird or, between two cinquefoils argent, stalked and leaved vert.

(I) Tristram Coffin, a descendant of Sir Richard Coffin, married and lived in Brixton, Devonshire, England. His will mentions Anne and John, children of his son, Nicholas Coffin; Richard and Joan, children of Lionel Coffin; Philip Coffin, and his son Tristram; and appointed Nicholas Coffin, of whom further, as his executor.

(II) Nicholas Coffin, son of Tristram Coffin, lived in Butler's Parish, Devonshire, England, where he died in 1603. In his will, which was proved at Totness, in Devonshire, November 3, 1603, mention is made of his wife Joan, and five children, namely: 1. Peter, mentioned below. 2. Nicholas. 3. Tristram. 4. John. 5. Anne.

(III) Peter Coffin, eldest son of Nicholas and Joan Coffin, was born on the Coffin estate in Brixton, England, about 1580, and died there in 1627-28. He married Joan or Joanna Thember, and their six children were born and baptized in the parish of Brixton, Devonshire, in the following order: 1. Tristram mentioned below. 2. John, born about 1607; was a soldier and died in the service from a mortal wound received in battle during a four years' siege in the Civil War; died about 1642. 3. John, born about 1609, in England, probably died there. 4. Deborah, died probably in England. 5. Eunice, born in England, came to Massachusetts Bay Colony with her mother; married William Butler, and died in 1648. 6. Mary, married Alexander Adams, and died in 1677 or thereabouts.

The Widow Joan and her children, Tristram, Eunice and Mary, her sons-in-law, her daughter-in-law, Dionis, and five grandchildren, came to Salisbury in 1642. She died in Boston in May, 1661, aged seventy-seven years, and in the notice of her death it is quaintly stated that the Rev. Mr. Wilson, "embalmed her memory."

(IV) Tristram (2) Coffin, son of Peter and Joan (Thember) Coffin, was born in the parish of Brixton, Devonshire, England, probably in 1605. He was the heir of his father's estate in Brixton, and one of the landed gentry of Devonshire. He died at his home on Nantucket Island, Massachusetts, October 2, 1681. It is a strange fact that the Christian name of the immigrant forefather of all the Coffins in America, Tristram, is repeated and multiplied in every generation, while the name of the ancestress, Dionis, is repeated but once in all the time since the founding of the family here. It is not known on which of the early ships conveying passengers to New England the Coffin family took passage. Tristram Coffin settled in Haverhill, Massachusetts, in 1642. The early settlers of Salisbury, which town was established October 7, 1640, commenced a settlement at Pentucket the same year, and the Indian deed for this land was witnessed by Tristram Coffin in 1642, and in 1643 he removed to the place which was established as the town of Haverhill, Norfolk county, and here settled near Robert Clement. Tradition has it that Tristram Coffin was the first man to plow land in the town of Haverhill, and that he constructed his own plow. He changed his residence to the "Rocks" in the following year, and in 1648-49 removed to Newbury, where he kept an ordinary, sold wine and liquor and kept the Newbury side of Carr's Ferry. In September, 1643, his wife Dionis was prosecuted for selling beer for two pence a quart, while the regular price was but one pence, but she proved that she had put six bushels of malt into the hogshead, while the law required only four, and she was discharged. He returned to Salisbury, and was commissioner of the town, and while living there purchased or planned the purchase of the Island of Nantucket, where he and his associates removed on account of religious persecution. At least Thomas Macy, who was one of the pioneer settlers on Nantucket, "fled from the officers of the law and sold his property and home rather than submit to tyranny, which punished a man for being hospitable to strangers in the rain-storm even though the strangers be Quakers." Mr. Macy returned to Salisbury and resided there in 1644, and then he sold his house and lands, and so the story of his flight from persecution would seem to be spoiled, and history perhaps gives the true reason for his migration, the search for a milder climate and better opportunities for cultivating the soil.

Early in 1654 Tristram Coffin took Peter Folger, grandfather of Benjamin Franklin, then living at the Vineyard, as an interpreter of the Indian language, and proceeded to Nantucket to ascertain the "temper and disposition of the Indians, and the

capability of the island, that he might report to the citizens of Salisbury what inducements were offered to emigrants." A grant of the island had been given to Thomas Mayhew by William Earl, of Sterling, and recorded in the secretary's office in New York, July 2, 1659. Thomas Mayhew deeded the island to Tristram Coffin, Stephen Greenleaf, William Pike, Thomas Macy, Thomas Barnard, Christopher Hussey, John Swain, retaining an interest of one-twentieth for himself, the consideration being "thirty pounds and two beaver hats, one for myself and one for my wife." Later the same parties purchased from one Manackmanak, head sachem of Nantucket, a large part of their lands, consideration forty pounds. James Coffin accompanied Thomas Macy and family, Edward Starbuck and Isaac Coleman to the island later in the same year, and they all took up their residence there. The Coffin family that settled in Nantucket included Tristram, Sr., James, Mary, John and Stephen, each the head of a family. Tristram Coffin was thirty-seven years old at the time of his removal to Nantucket. During the first year of his residence there he was the richest proprietor on the island. The property of his son Peter is said soon to have exceeded that of his father, the family together owning about one-fourth of the island, and all of Tuckernock. On June 29, 1671, Francis Lovelace, governor of New York, granted a commission to Tristram Coffin to be chief magistrate on and over the island of Nantucket and Tuckanyckett (Deeds III, secretary's office, Albany, New York). At the same time Thomas Mayhew was appointed the chief magistrate of Martha's Vineyard through commissions signed by Governor Lovelace of New York, bearing date June 29, 1671, and the two chief magistrates, with two assistants for each island, constituted a general court, with appellate jurisdiction over both islands. The appointment was made by Governor Francis Lovelace. Tristram Coffin's second commission, dated September 16, 1677, was signed by Sir Edward Andros, governor-general of the province of New York. On his death in 1681, he was survived by his widow Dionis, seven children, sixty grandchildren, and a number of great grandchildren. In 1728 one thousand one hundred and twenty-eight of his descendants, which numbered one thousand five hundred and eighty-two, were living.

Tristram Coffin married Dionis Stevens (the diminutive for Dionysia and afterwards Dionys), daughter of Robert Stevens, of Brixton, England. Their children, the first five of whom were born in England, were: 1. Hon. Peter, born in 1631, died in Exeter, New Hampshire, March 2, 1715. 2. Tristram, born in 1632, died in Newbury, February 4, 1704. 3. Elizabeth, married, in Newbury, November 13, 1651, Captain Stephen Greenleaf, and died November 29, 1678. 4. James, mentioned below. 5. John, died in Haverhill, October 20, 1642. 6. Deborah, born November 15, 1643, died December 8th following. 7. Mary, mentioned below. 8. John, born October 8, 1647, died September 5, 1711. 9.

Stephen, born May 11, 1652, in Newbury, died in Nantucket, May 18, 1734.

(V) James Coffin, son of Tristram (2) and Dionis (Stevens) Coffin, was born in 1640 in England, and died at Nantucket, July 28, 1729, aged eighty years. He came to Nantucket with the first settlers, but subsequently removed to Dover, New Hampshire, where he resided in 1668, being a member of the church there in 1671. On May 31, 1671, he was made a freeman in Dover, but soon after this date he returned to Nantucket, and made his home there until his death. He was one of the associate proprietors of Nantucket and filled several important public offices on the island, among them that of judge of the Probate Court, to which he was the first to be appointed (1680).

From James Coffin have descended the most notable representatives of the Coffin family, as doubtless the most numerous and generally scattered. This branch furnished the family that remained on the side of Great Britain during the Revolution. Sir Isaac Coffin, brother of General John Coffin (who rendered active service against the Colonies) did not take active part in the War of the Revolution. He was in the British navy at the breaking out of the war, and at his own request was assigned to the Mediterranean, that he might not have to fight against his own kindred. Although the highest honors had been conferred on him in the Spanish navy, and he had been made a member of Parliament, he cherished a regard for his native land. In 1826 he visited Boston, and Nantucket, and was honorably received. Harvard University conferred on him the honorary degree of Master of Arts. At Nantucket he founded a school, chiefly in the interest of the Coffin family. The land on which the school stands was given by Gorham Coffin, who was one of the trustees. The school is still in existence, and at the present time is a Mechanical Training School for the inhabitants of the island. One of the most distinguished women which America has produced, Lucretia Mott, was also descended from this line. James Coffin married, December 4, 1663, Mary Severance, daughter of John and Abigail Severance, of Salisbury, Massachusetts. They were the parents of fourteen children.

(V) Mary Coffin, daughter of Tristram (2) and Dionis (Stevens) Coffin, was born February 20, 1645, in Haverhill, Massachusetts, and died on the Island of Nantucket, September 13, 1717. She became the wife of Nathaniel Starbuck, of Nantucket (see Starbuck II), and was the mother of the first White child born on the island.

(VI) Dinah Coffin, daughter of James and Mary (Severance) Coffin, became the wife of Nathaniel (2) Starbuck, and was the great-great-great-grandmother of Mrs. Caroline E. (Slade) Brayton, of Fall River. (See Starbuck III).

(The Starbuck Line).

The surname Starbuck, according to Lower, quoting Ferguson partially, is derived from the Old





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Norse, with the following explanation: "In the Old Norse, *bokki* means *vir grandis, corpore et animo*. Hence Stórbocki, from *stór*, great, *vir imperiosus*." The name means, literally, great man or leader, and is first found in English records in the poll tax for the West Riding of Yorkshire, in the year 1379.

The American Starbucks, one of the foremost families of the Island of Nantucket for over two and a half centuries, comprise the progeny of Edward Starbuck, an Englishman of substance, who was among the earliest and most influential settlers of Nantucket.

(I) Edward Starbuck, immigrant ancestor and founder, was born in 1604, and came to America about 1635, from Derbyshire, England, bringing with him his wife Katharine. He settled in Dover, New Hampshire, where he is first mentioned, June 30, 1643, when he received a grant of forty acres of land on each side of the Fresh river at Cutchochoe, and also one plat of marsh above Cutchochoe Great Marsh, "that the brook that runs out of the river runs through, first discovered by Richard Walderne, Edward Colcord, Edward Starbuck, and William Furber." He received other grants of land at different times, including one of Marsh in Great Bay in 1643, one of the mill privilege at Cutchochoe 2nd Falls (with Thomas Wiggins), and one of timber to "accommodate" in 1650, and various others. He was one of the foremost settlers of Dover, a representative of the town in 1643 and 1646, and undoubtedly would have lived comfortably there until his death, honored and respected by his fellow-townsmen, had he not embraced the Baptist faith. He was the owner of extensive properties, and was in all probability a man of substance as to possessions, as tradition says he was in body. Despite this he fell into disrepute for daring to believe different from the intolerant, bigoted Puritans of his day. In "Provincial Papers of the New Hampshire Historical Society," we find the following:

October 18, 1648.—The Court being informed of great misdemeanor Committed by Edward Starbuck of Dover with profession of Ababptism for which he is to be proceeded against at the next Court of Assistants if evidence can be prepared by that time & it being very farre for witnesses to travell to Boston at that season of the year, It is therefore ordered by this Court that the Secretary shall give Commission to Capt. Thomas Wiggan & Mr. Edw. Smyth to send for such persons as they shall have notice of which are able to testify in the sd. cause & to take their testimony upon oath & certifie the same to the secretary as soon as may be, that further proceedings may be therein, if the cause shall so require.

It is not to be wondered at that Edward Starbuck was quite ready to leave Dover, despite his advanced age, and his interests in and around the town. He was fifty-five years of age when he joined Thomas Macy in his voyage from Salisbury to Nantucket. They arrived at Nantucket in the autumn of 1659, and remained during the winter at the outskirts of the island, removing later to a more central location, now called Cambridge. In the spring of 1660, Edward Starbuck returned to Dover for his family, all of whom returned with him except his daughters, Sarah Austin and Abigail Coffin.

On his return to Nantucket he at once became active in official affairs, and was at one time magistrate. He died at Nantucket, April 12, 1690. His wife was Katharine (Reynolds) Starbuck, a woman of Welsh parentage.

(II) Nathaniel Starbuck, son of Edward and Katharine (Reynolds) Starbuck, was born in Dover, New Hampshire, February 20, 1645. He was the only son who lived to perpetuate the name. He was a wealthy landowner, and a man of no mean abilities, yet he seems to have been eclipsed by the exceptional brilliancy of his wife, Mary (Coffin) Starbuck.

Mary (Coffin) Starbuck was born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, February 20, 1645, daughter of Tristram (2) and Dionis (Stevens) Coffin. (See Coffin V). At the age of seventeen years she was married to Nathaniel Starbuck. She had been baptized by Peter Folger in Waiputquat pond, but years afterward became converted to the principles of the Friends, and their meetings were held at her house. She became a preacher in the Society, as were also several of her children, her grandsons, Elihu and Nathaniel Coleman, and her granddaughter, Priscilla Bunker. On account of her superior judgment, she was often consulted in town affairs, taking an active part in debates, and usually prefacing her remarks with "My husband and I, having considered the subject, think, etc." She was a remarkable woman, anticipating by two centuries the advanced views of women of today. She took an active part in practically every phase of the early life of the town. Mary Starbuck was "as distinguished in her domestic economy as she was celebrated as a preacher."

Nathaniel Starbuck died June 6, 1719. His wife died September 13, 1717, and was buried in the Friends' Burying Ground.

(III) Nathaniel (2) Starbuck, son of Nathaniel (1) Mary (Coffin) Starbuck, was born in Nantucket, August 9, 1668. He married Dinah Coffin, daughter of James and Mary (Severance) Coffin. (See Coffin VI).

(IV) Mary Starbuck, daughter of Nathaniel (2) and Dinah (Coffin) Starbuck, became the wife of Jethro Folger, in October, 1710. (See Folger IV).

**DR. WILLIAM LAWTON**—The Lawton family is a lineage of historic Cheshire, England, founded since the age of the Conqueror, when the Norman progenitor of the family acquired large landed estates and bestowed his name on the territory. A long and ancient pedigree of the family exists since the reign of Henry VI., when Hugh de Lawton, of Lawton, Cheshire, is found in possession of the Manor of Lawton in that county, his inheritance from his early century ancestors.

*Arms*—Argent, on a fesse between three crosses crosslet fitchée sable as many cinquefoils of the field.

*Crest*—A demi-wolf salient regardant argent, vulned in the breast gules.

*Motto*—*Liberte toute entiere.* (Liberty unfettered.)

(I) Hugh de Lawton, of Lawton, Cheshire, living temp. Henry VI., married Isabella Kernys, daughter of John Madoc, and widow of Bekyn Kernys. Isabella was the heiress of John Madoc, whose only son Wil-



liam died without heirs, and she inherited the whole of her father's large estate.

(II) John de Lawton, surviving son of Hugh and Isabella (Madoc-Kernys) de Lawton, died in the lifetime of his father, having previously married, and left an only surviving son.

(III) Richard Lawton, Esq., of Lawton, son of John de Lawton, and grandson and heir of Hugh de Lawton, of Lawton, and also heir of his grandmother Isabella, married and left a son.

(IV) James Lawton, Esq., of Lawton, son of Richard Lawton, of Lawton, married Eleanor More, daughter of Matthew More, Esq., of The Hall-o'-th'-Heath (otherwise called "Hallowheath"), Cheshire, and had issue.

(V) William Lawton, Esq., of Lawton, son of James and Eleanor (More) Lawton, married Katherine Bellot, daughter of Thomas Bellot, Esq., of Moreton, County Chester, and died 28th December in the 5th year of King Edward VI.; left surviving among other children:

(VI) John (2) Lawton, Esq., of Lawton, son of William and Katherine (Bellot) Lawton, was in enjoyment of the manor of Lawton in 1580. He married (first) Anne Corbet, widow of Robert Corbet, Esq., of Hatherton, and by her had no issue. He married (second) Margaret Dutton, daughter of Fulke Dutton, Esq., and by her had issue:

(VII) John (3) Lawton, of Church Lawton, Cheshire, youngest son and fourth child of John (2) and Margaret (Dutton) Lawton, born about 1582, married and left issue among others:

(VIII) John (4) Lawton, probable son of John (3) Lawton, of Church Lawton, Cheshire, the American settler, of whom below.

(The Family in America).

(I) John Lawton, founder of the family in America, probably born in Cheshire, traditional son of John Lawton, of that country, and descendant of the ancient Lawtons of Lawton, was an early pioneer of the American colonies. It is declared that he had two brothers, George and Thomas, and that all three removed to America and settled there. John Lawton was admitted among the inhabitants of Newport, Rhode Island, on or after May 20, 1638, and in the same year George Lawton was admitted at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, and Thomas Lawton then or soon thereafter. Of the founder, John Lawton, no further record than his admission as an inhabitant appears at Newport, and it is probable that he soon removed and became resident at Ipswich, Massachusetts, where he appears as early as 1648, and where he had a house and land in 1663. His marriage probably occurred in Ipswich, and in 1677, with his family, he removed to Suffield, then considered a part of Massachusetts, but later within the bounds of Connecticut, and on April 4, 1677, it is recorded that the Committee for Suffield having met, granted to "John Lawton sixty acres, the lot which was intended for Edward Chapman." He died in Suffield, December 17, 1690. He married Benedicta ———, who died November 18, 1692. Issue: 1. James Lawton, of whom below. 2. Benedicta Lawton. 3. Mary Lawton. (Probably other daughters).

(II) James Lawton, son of John and Benedicta Lawton, was born in Suffield, Connecticut (then Massachusetts), and has been called the "only son" of the founder, John Lawton. He resided throughout his life in Suffield, where he was of high standing and responsibility, and to his sons he afforded an excellent education. He died respected and esteemed by his fellow-townsmen, leaving eight children surviving him, among whom was Jacob (Christopher Jacob), mentioned, below.

(III) Christopher Jacob Lawton, son of James Lawton, was born in Suffield, Connecticut, July 20, 1701. He was christened "Jacob," but states an historian "from caprice adopted in his business as a lawyer the name of Christopher Jacob." His youth was passed in Suffield, and there he received his education, early manifesting an inclination for the legal profession, in which he began studies when still a boy, and his entrance to the bar was probably made soon after he attained his majority. He is found in practice at Suffield before 1726. At the period when he began practicing there, the town, together with Enfield, Somers, and Woodstock, was considered under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts. In 1726 Mr. Lawton was admitted to the bar of Hampshire county, Massachusetts, though he still continued to reside and practice in Suffield. In 1734 he received the appointment of coroner for the county of Hampshire, and the following year, 1735, left Suffield, and established himself in Leicester, Massachusetts.

Mr. Lawton brought with him a distinguished reputation for his work at the Connecticut bar, and he has been called one of the "noted lawyers" in Connecticut, who "gave early and honorable character" to that provincial bar. In 1735 he purchased a farm in the westerly part of Leicester, the land lying upon both sides of the Great road, the former owners from whom he acquired it having been Josiah Converse, Sr., and his son, Josiah Converse. He made his home upon this farm until 1753, when he conveyed it to his son Pliny. Mr. Lawton was as notably prominent in Leicester as he had been in Suffield; in 1736, 1740, and 1741, he was representative to the General Court, and continued in the practice of his profession until 1751, after which he retired from all active pursuits. He was at one time the owner of the town of Blandford, Massachusetts, and was a man of considerable property, according to the valuations of that period.

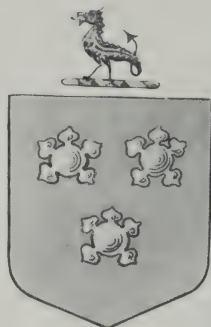
Mr. Lawton died in Leicester, not long after 1753.

(IV) Dr. Pliny Lawton, son of Jacob (Christopher Jacob) Lawton, was born in Suffield, Connecticut. He removed with his father in 1735 to Leicester, Massachusetts, and there completed his studies for entrance to the medical profession. He attained his degree before 1748, although it is apparent that he did not begin active practice until later, for he was engaged for some fifteen months, during 1748 and 1749, in teaching school in Leicester, although at that time called "Doctor." In 1753 he received from his father a conveyance of the latter's farm in Leicester, lying beside the Great road, and there took up his residence with his wife. Later, however, they removed to the mansion built by Judge Steele, a prominent townsman, at the corner of Flip Lane, and here Dr. Lawton continued to live until his death, which occurred in Leicester in





Sargent



Farrington



Gifford



Pargiter



Sunnwell



Washington



SARGENT.

*Arms*—Argent, a chevron between three dolphins embowed sable.

*Crest*—A dolphin embowed sable between two wings argent.

FARRINGTON.

*Arms*—Gules, three cinquefoils argent.

*Crest*—A wyvern sans wings.

GIFFORD.

*Arms*—Gules, three lions passant argent.

PARGITER.

*Arms*—Barry of four or and sable, three mascals counterchanged.

SAMWELL.

*Arms*—Gules, two squirrels sejant addorsed of the first.

WASHINGTON.

*Arms*—Argent, two bars gules, in chief three mullets of the second.



1761 from smallpox. The terror of this dreaded disease was such at the time that he was not allowed burial in the general cemetery, but his body was interred in his own field on the east side of Flip Lane about twenty rods from the Great road. There his tombstone was standing until within a few years ago, but is now completely obliterated.

Dr. Pliny Lawton married, June 18, 1750, Lucretia Sargent, daughter of Jonathan Sargent, of Leicester. (See Sargent V). Issue: 1. James. 2. William, mentioned below.

(V) Dr. William Lawton, son of Dr. Pliny and Lucretia (Sargent) Lawton, was born in Leicester, Massachusetts, April 9, 1759. Following the profession of his father, he studied medicine, and entering upon its practice in Leicester, became there a contemporary of the noted Dr. Larned, of that place. After some years he left Leicester, and was later in Newport, Rhode Island, but afterwards was stationed in West Point, as surgeon in the service of the United States. There he continued until 1795, and probably after that date. He made occasional visits to Leicester, however, being there in 1788 and 1792, but never permanently returned to reside there.

Dr. William Lawton married Abigail Farrington, born in Flushing, Long Island, December 12, 1763. (See Farrington). Issue (among others): Phebe, mentioned below.

(VI) Phebe Lawton, daughter of Dr. William and Abigail (Farrington) Lawton, was born in Newport, Rhode Island, August 21, 1871. She died in Somerset, Massachusetts, March 18, 1874. She married William Slade, born in Swansea, Massachusetts, June 4, 1780, died in Somerset, September 7, 1852, son of Jonathan and Mary (Chase) Slade. (See Slade V).

(The Sargent Line).

The derivation of the surname Sargent finds its basis in the Latin phrase *servientes armorum*; that is, men discharging a military service and hence soldiers; and from the ancient term *serviens ad legem* (i. e., "serjeant of the law"), in very early and widespread use, and thus is derived the name of Sargent of the present day. Until about the reigns of Henry III. or Edward I., the surname kept its Latin form, but prior thereto we find many representations of the name cited in the *Maegu Rotul Scaccaru Normannie*, in *Rotuli Curiae Regis*, and in *Rotulus Cancellaru*. The Norman origin of the name is indicated by the presence, in 1180-1195, of Malger and Gislebert *Serviens* in Normandy, and in 1198 Gislebert, Horsel and Roger *Serviens* are found in the same county. In the latter year, 1198, Robert *Serviens* appears in England; in 1202 are discovered Henry, Herbert, Simon and Walter *Serviens*; in 1272, Walter le Seriant in Yorkshire, William Le Serjant in Hertfordshire, and William Le Serjaunt, Theobald le Seriant and Peter le Seriant of Buckinghamshire; in 1275, Henry le Serjant was of Lincolnshire, and Roger le Serjant was of the same county, and another Roger le Serjaunt appears in Oxfordshire; in 1277, William le Serjaunt was in Staffordshire; and in 1324, Adam

le Serjant was one of the burgesses in Bridgenorth, Shropshire.

*Arms*—Argent, a chevron between three dolphins embowed sable.

*Crest*—A dolphin embowed sable, between two wings argent.

Of all the families of Sargent to become established in England, that of the County of Northampton was among the earliest. It is from this ancient house that the American family of Sargent descends; its arms were procured as early as the year 1324, and the records of the family disclose the surname appearing as Serjaunt, Sergaunt, and Sariant. Of this Northamptonshire family is found, in the year 1275, Walter le Serjaunt or Sergaunt, of that county, and then in residence there, and two years later, in 1277, is found Thomas Serjaunt in the same county. In 1503 Dominus Thomas Sergeant was of Huxlow Hundred, northeast from the town of Northampton; in 1512 Dominus Thomas Sergeant was of St. Giles Church, Speltho Hundred, not far from the town of Northampton; and of Huxlow Hundred, also, was William Serjaunt in 1545. Thomas le Serjaunt, of Wimersley Hundred, De la Pre, situated a few miles southeast from the town of Northampton, was living about 1545; he was a large landowner, and made a gift of land and rents in Hardingstone and Cotes to the historic Abbey of St. Mary de Pratis or De la Pre Abbey, located one and a half miles out from Northampton, and founded in the reign of King Stephen by Simon de St. Liz.

(The Ancient Lineage).

(I) Hugh Sargent (whose surname appears in many instances as Sariant) was of Courteenhall, County Northampton, England, where he was born about 1530. Courteenhall, the place of his birth, is situated somewhat more than five miles from the town of Northampton. Hugh Sargent married Margaret Gifford, daughter of Nicholas and Agnes (Masters) Gifford, of the Abbey of St. James, a western suburb of Northampton, and a descendant of the distinguished Gifford family of England. (See Gifford). Hugh Sargent died February 23, 1595-96, and was buried from Courteenhall Church on the 1st of March following. He had issue fifteen children, among whom was Roger, mentioned below.

(II) Roger Sargent, son of Hugh and Margaret (Gifford) Sargent, was born about 1562. He was junior bailiff at Northampton in 1616 and 1617, and became mayor of Northampton in 1626. He made his will, April 12, 1649, and it was proved February 22, 1649-50. He died in Northampton in July, 1649, and was buried July 16, 1649.

He married, January 3, 1589-90, Ellen Makernes, who died in October, 1645, and was buried on the 21st of the month. She was the daughter of William Makernes, of Finedon, who made his will March 10, 1612. Issue eleven children, of whom the seventh was William, mentioned below.

(The Family in America).

(I) William Sargent, founder of the family in America, son of Roger and Ellen (Makernes)

Sargent, was born in Courteenhall, County Northampton, England, and baptized June 20, 1602. He spent the first thirty-six years of his life in Northampton, and was thrice married before his removal to America. When twenty-four years of age, on July 20, 1626, he was made a freeman in Northampton, England. He was prominent in the city, and became senior bailiff in 1632-33. For six years longer he continued in Northampton and about 1637-38 married, as his third wife, Sarah Minshall, widow of William Minshall, and not long after, in 1638, began preparations for his voyage to the New World.

In 1638, with his third wife Sarah, and two daughters by his first wife, William Sargent left Northampton and embarked for Charlestown, New England, settling in that part of the town called "Mystic Side." On March 10, 1638-39, he was admitted to the church in Charlestown, and his wife was admitted the following Sunday. In 1638-39 he became a freeman. There was then no regular church at Mystic Side, and there being no pastor, William Sargent was chosen as lay preacher, and officiated from 1648 to 1650. He was a man well calculated and accustomed by his previous standing in England for the office, and Johnson, in his "Wonder-working Providence," states: "The people gathered into a church some distance of time before they could attain to any church officer to administer the Seals unto them, yet in the meantime at their Sabbath assemblies they had a godly Christian named Mr. Sargent who did preach the Word to them till 1650."

His lands were situated in the southerly part of Mystic Side (or, as it was named in 1649, Malden), on the southerly slope of a hill (later called Belmont Hill), and about one and one-third miles northeast from the river. This land he held as early as 1640 (with the exception of three acres adjoining it, which he purchased in 1654), and it was in that part of Malden, which was afterwards set off, and in 1870 named "Everett" in honor of the distinguished Edward Everett. Upon this land stood the old homestead of the founder, a typical colonial residence, sturdily timbered, built to endure, and long an historic landmark of Massachusetts in the age of the pioneers. This homestead William Sargent bequeathed to his eldest son, John, who in turn divided its use between his sons, Jonathan and Ebenezer, "with all the Land adjoining thereunto That was his (John's) ffather William Sargents."

Still retaining his property at Malden, William Sargent, about the year 1656 or 1657, left that township and established his domicile in Barnstable, and on the 29th of the 4th month, 1658, gave power of attorney to Joseph Hills, a prominent resident of Malden, concerning his property at that place. In 1657 he was made a freeman of Plymouth Colony. In Barnstable, as in Malden, he was a lay preacher, and officiated in the pulpit formerly occupied by the Rev. Dr. Lathrop, deceased, in 1653. It is evident that he leased or rented his Malden property on his removal to Barnstable, for in 1661 he appears

as plaintiff in a suit to recover his rent, and a lengthy document in the case, called "Articles of Agreement had, made and concluded on the first day of the 5th month, 1658, Betwixt William Sergeant of Barnstable in the Jurisdiction of New Plymouth, on the one partie; and James Lane of Malden in the Massachusetts, on the other partie," sets forth under eleven "Items" the conditions of the contract.

He died in Barnstable, December 16, 1682. He married (first) in England, Hannah —, who died in September, 1632. He married (second) in England, Marie —, who died about 1637. He married (third) in England, Sarah Minshall, widow of William Minshall, of Whitchurch, County Salop, Gentleman, and theretofore of Bunbury, Cheshire. She died in Barnstable, January 12, 1688-89. Issue by first wife, two daughters: 1. Hannah. 2. Elizabeth. Issue by third wife, three children, as follows: 1. John, mentioned below. 2. Ruth, born October 25, 1642, died October 4, 1711; married (first), about 1663, Jonathan Winslow, of Marshfield, son of Josiah Winslow and nephew of Governor Edward Winslow; married (second) in July, 1677, Richard Bourne, of Sandwick; married (third) in 1684, John Chipman. (See Chipman). 3. Samuel Sargent, born March 3, 1644-45.

(II) John Sargent, son of William and Sarah (Minshall) Sargent, was born in Charlestown, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in December, 1639, and baptized December 8th following. He accompanied his father to Barnstable, 1656-57, and was admitted an inhabitant there between 1662 and 1666, but he returned, about 1669, to Malden. He was selectman six years, and in May, 1695, when the town of Malden made a division of two thousand acres of its common lands, his name appeared, with that of his son John, among the distributees. This distribution was by lot to all freeholders in the town in proportion to their ratable estates, and made an average of about thirty acres to each person included. The high esteem in which he was held by his fellow-townsmen is indicated by the record: "John Sargent, Sen'r is the man to draw the lots." John Sargent had a large estate in Malden.

He died in Malden, Massachusetts, September 9, 1716. He was buried in Bell Rock Cemetery, formerly the Old Malden Burial Ground. There his slate gravestone may still be seen.

He married (first), March 19, 1662, Deborah Hillier, of Barnstable, daughter of Hugh Hillier. She was born in Yarmouth, October 30, 1643, and died April 20, 1669. He married (second), September 3, 1669, Mary Bense. She died February, 1670-71. He married (third) Lydia Chipman, of Barnstable, daughter of John and Hope (Howland) Chipman. (See Chipman. See Howland). Issue fifteen children, of whom his eldest son by his third wife was Jonathan, mentioned below.

(III) Jonathan Sargent, son of John and Lydia (Chipman) Sargent, was born April 17, 1677. He was long a resident of Malden, and was selectman of that town for three years, and chosen as its representative for seven years. In 1735 he gave

a quarter acre of land "in the southerly part of Malden," \* \* \* "being part of my homestead whereon now I dwell," together with a road twenty-six feet wide as a passage to the highways, to the "Inhabitants of the southerly part of Malden for a Meeting House." His worldly abundance and his generosity are thus alike shown, as well as the Christian spirit which survived undiminished in this third generation of the Puritan and the Pilgrim. Later he resided for a time in Maxfield in the Connecticut Colony. He died October 27, 1754.

He married (first), March 13, 1699, Mary Lynde, daughter of John Lynde. She was born July 5, 1678, and died November 19, 1716. He married (second), November 26, 1717, Mary Sprague, daughter of Jonathan Sprague. She was born May 25, 1696, and died March 14, 1787. Issue by first wife among others, Jonathan, mentioned below.

(IV) Jonathan (2) Sargent, son of Jonathan (1) and Mary (Lynde) Sargent, was born February 20, 1700-01. After some years in Malden, he removed to Leicester, Massachusetts, and was prominent in its affairs. He died in 1777. He married, September 29, 1726, Deborah Richardson, daughter of Nathaniel (2) and Abigail (Reed) Richardson. (See Richardson IV. See Reed III). Issue, among others, Lucretia, mentioned below.

(V) Lucretia Sargent, daughter of Jonathan (2) and Deborah (Richardson) Sargent, was born October 10, 1734. She married (first), June 18, 1750, Dr. Pliny Lawton, son of Jacob (Christopher Jacob) Lawton. (See Lawton IV). She married (second), intentions June 3, 1769, Rev. Benjamin Conklin.

**NICHOLAS GIFFORD**—The Gifford ancestry, with which the Sargent lineage, is allied, not only draws descent from Normandy for several centuries before William the Conqueror overthrew the Saxons in A. D. 1066, but is also allied with the family of Washington, from whom George Washington, first President of the United States, was descended, and also with the Pargiters, to whom the Washingtons were related, and the Samwells, another family from whom the Washingtons of England and America drew their lineage.

The spelling of the name was originally Giffard, and the arms of Giffard or Gifford, as borne at Hastings and in the Crusades, and which were accorded to the descendants of the house in Buckinghamshire were: Gules, three lions passant, argent, arms which by their simple form indicate their great age. These arms were borne by the Gifford family of Twyford, Buckinghamshire, in the fifteenth century, and in the Visitation of 1681-82, Northamptonshire, the Gifford family are authoritatively declared to be lineally descended from the ancient Giffords, and the arms of that noble house, identical in form, are there accredited to them.

*Gifford or Giffard Arms*—Gules, three lions passant, argent.

(The Ancient Lineage).

The records of Normandy disclose the presence of the noble family of Gifford in the eighth cen-

tury. They were then feudal nobles of high station and wealth at Honfleur, and continued lords of the locality down to the reign of William, Duke of Normandy, afterwards styled the "Conqueror." Among the nobles who accompanied William on his memorable voyage to England was Sire Randolph de Gifford; he was one of the Conqueror's standard bearers and took part in the epochal battle of Hastings on which turned the fortunes of the Saxons. This Gifford was related in blood to the Royal William, and another of the lineage who took part at Hastings, Walter de Gifford, a cousin of the Conqueror, was, for gallant services rendered on that occasion, created by King William, Earl of Buckingham, and endowed with large estates.

The Giffords were represented in England by several distinct lines—that of the Giffords, Earls of Buckingham, who afterwards became extinct in that title; that of the Giffords, Lords of Brimsfield; that of the Giffords of Chillington, County Stafford, and that of the Giffords of Twyford, County Buckingham, who intermarried with the Sargents, the Washingtons, the Pargiters and the Samwells, and became the ancestors of the American pioneers.

{Gifford: Earls of Buckingham}

(I) Osborne de Bolebec, a noble of Normandy, living temp, Richard Sans Peur (eighth century), Duke of Normandy, married Avelina, sister of Gunnora, Duchess of Normandy, and had issue two sons: 1. Walter, mentioned below. 2. Osborne, younger son, ancestor of the Giffords, Lords of Gifford of Brimsfield, and of the Giffords of Chillington, County Stafford.

(II) Walter Gifford, Earl of Longueville in Normandy, accompanied William the Conqueror to England, and for gallant service at the battle of Hastings was granted the title of Earl of Buckingham A. D. 1070. At the time of the General Survey, this nobleman was sent, with Remigius, Bishop of Lincoln, and others, into Worcestershire, and various other counties of England, to value the lands belonging to the Crown, as well as those belonging to private individuals in those parts. He himself possessed at that time two lordships in Berkshire, one in Wiltshire, one in Somersetshire, one in Huntingdonshire, five in Cambridgeshire, nine in Oxfordshire, nine in Bedfordshire, three in Suffolk, twenty-eight in Norfolk, forty-eight in Buckinghamshire, making one hundred and seven lordships in all. In A. D. 1089, his Lordship, adhering to William Rufus, fortified his mansions in Normandy for that King, and became the chief general of his army there. Some years afterward, however, (1102) he sided with Robert Courthose, against King Henry I. His Lordship died in 1102, having married Agnes Flaitell, daughter of Gerard Flaitell and sister of William, Bishop of Eureux, and had, with other issue, the following: 1. Walter, mentioned below. 2. Rohaise, married Richard Fitz Gilbert, feudal lord of Clare, County Suffolk. 3. Isabel, married to Richard Granville or Grenville, progenitor of the noble house of Grenville.

(III) Walter (2) Giffard, second Earl of Bucking-



ham; this nobleman adhered faithfully to King Henry I. and distinguished himself in that monarch's cause at the battle of Breneville in 1119 against the French commanded by their King in person, where Henry obtained a victory. His Lordship during this reign founded the Abbey of Nutley, County Buckingham. He died without issue, in 1164, when the lands of his barony came, according to the noted authority Dugdale, to be shared among his next of kin, "for it seems," states Dugdale, "in the first Richard I. that Richard de Clare, Earl of Hertford (in respect of his descent from Rohaise, sister of the Earl, and wife of Richard Fitz-Gilbert, his lineal ancestor), and William Mareschall, Earl of Pembroke (in right of Isabel de Clare, his wife), obtained a confirmation from that King of all the lands of this Walter, Earl of Buckingham, both in England and Normandy. Of these lands, Richard, Earl of Hertford, was to have the chief seat in England, and William, Earl of Pembroke, the chief seat in Normandy and the residue in both countries to be equally divided among them."

The line of the eldest male of the Giffards, Earls of Buckingham, thus became extinct; the title, it is claimed, was subsequently borne by Richard de Clare, surnamed Strongbow, Earl of Pembroke, and in later centuries titles of Earl and Duke of Buckingham were granted to other individuals not of the surname Giffard. The branches of the younger sons of Gifford, however, survive in England. In 1154-89 (reign of Henry II.) is found Sir Peter Gifford, who married Alice, daughter of Sir Grey de Corbucchin. In the reign of Richard I. Coeur de Lion, Sir Stephen Gifford, of this lineage, was one of the barons who accompanied that monarch on his expedition to the Holy Land and took part in the Crusades; he was conspicuous for his bravery during the siege of Jerusalem and was there killed, while his son, Sir Stephen, was wounded.

From the younger sons of the house of Gifford descended the Giffords of Buckinghamshire. In the fifteenth century, John Gifford was of Twyford, County Buckingham, and his grandson, Roger Gifford, leased the manor of Middle Claydon in 1535, which his heirs retained, and leased the same to Martin Lister, who surrendered it to Sir Edward Versey. A direct line of descent from John Gifford, aforesaid, to Margaret Gifford, who married Hugh Sargent, is preserved. Their descendant, William Sargent, was the American pioneer.

(Gifford of Buckinghamshire)

(I) John Gifford, of Twyford, County Buckingham, living fifteenth century, had issue: Thomas, mentioned below.

(II) Thomas Gifford, of Twyford, County Buckingham, died November 25, 1550. He married Marie Staveley, daughter of William Staveley, of Bignell. Issue: 1. Roger, mentioned below. 2. Anna, who married Richard Samwell, of Edgcote, County Northampton.

(III) Roger Gifford, of Middle Claydon, County Buckingham, Esquire, living at that Manor, 1535, son of Thomas and Mary (Staveley) Gifford, of

Twyford, married Mary ———, and died about 1542, leaving issue: Nicholas, mentioned below.

(IV) Nicholas Gifford, of the Abbey of St. James, County Northampton, son of Roger and Mary Gifford, of Middle Claydon, County Buckingham, gentleman, was bailiff of that place, and died in 1546. He married Agnes Masters, daughter of John Masters, of Sandwich, County Kent, who died about 1583. Issue: 1. Roger, mentioned below. 2. Margaret, mentioned below.

(V) Roger (2) Gifford, of the Abbey of St. James, County Northampton, gentleman, son of Nicholas and Agnes (Masters) Gifford, died in 1591. He married Amy Samwell, daughter of Francis Samwell, of Thorpe, County Northampton, who died about 1618.

The Samwell family was a notable one. It bore arms as follows:

*Arms*—Gules, two squirrels sejant addorsed of the first.

Amy (Samwell) Gifford's sister, Margaret Samwell, married Robert Pargiter, of Gretworth, County Northampton, eldest son and heir of William Pargiter, whose arms were:

*Arms*—Barry of four, or and sable; three masles counter-changed.

Ann (or Amy) Pargiter married Lawrence Washington, of Sulgrave, County Northampton, ancestor of George Washington, of Virginia, Commander-in-chief in the Revolution, and the first President of the United States. The arms of Washington were:

*Arms*—Argent, two bars gules in chief three mullets of the second.

Richard Samwell was a son of John Samwell, of Cotesford, County Oxford, and grandson of James Samwell. William and Anne (Washington) Pargiter were grandchildren of Richard Pargiter, of Gretworth, County Northampton. Lawrence Washington was the great-grandson of John Washington, of Whitfield, County Lancaster. Issue of Roger and Amy (Samwell) Gifford: 1. Francis, of the Abbey of St. James, County Northampton, who died in 1625, having married Jane Throughton, daughter of Richard Throughton, of Hanslop, County Buckingham.

(V) Margaret Gifford, daughter of Nicholas Gifford, of the Abbey of St. James, County Northampton, and Agnes (Masters) Gifford, his wife, and granddaughter of John Masters, of Sandwich, County Kent, married Hugh Sargent, of Courteenhall, County Northampton. (See Sargent).

**JOHN CHIPMAN**—The crest surmounting the Chipman arms indicates, by heraldic significance, a most honorable fact in the family history. The mural crown displayed thereon was only accorded to such distinguished warriors who, scaling the walls of a besieged citadel, were the first to set their standards upon the ramparts, and thus it appears that among the ancestors of the line was a distin-



Washington





guished soldier noted for his prowess upon the battlefield. The surname itself originates in Chipenham, Chippenham, Chipman, and lastly, Chipman. Its first syllable arises from the Anglo-Saxon *Ceapin*, whose form is seen in the Dutch *koop**en*, German *keup**en*, Danish *kiøb**e*, and Swedish *köp**a*. The second syllable of the name "man" is derived from the Anglo-Saxon *ham*, identical with the Dutch and German *heim*, the Danish *hiem*, and the Swedish *hem*. So ancient is the name that many present-day localities in England bear it from Anglo-Saxon times, when in that language the form was *Cypanham*, modified in the Domesday Book to *Cipham*, *Cippenham*, and was modernized into *Chipman*, *Chippenham*, etc.

*Arms*—Argent, a bend between six estoiles gules.  
*Crest*—A leopard sejant argent murally crowned.

Among the ancient representatives of the name was Willielmus de Chipenham, chairman of the commissioners in the Hundred of Staplehou, Cambridgeshire, England, who by order of William the Conqueror, A. D. 1085, took the inventory (preserved in the Cottonian manuscripts in the British Museum under the heading "Tiberius A. VI") of the extensive estates of the Monastery of Ely. This inventory may be seen incorporated as a part of the printed copy of the Domesday Book issued under the direction of the Records Commission of the British Parliament under the heading "Inquisitio Eliensis." A. D. 1306, Ricardus de Chippenham was burgess for Wallingford, Berkshire, and in that year and in 1313 also obtained a "Writ de Expensis" for attending parliaments at Westminster. A. D. 1313, Johannes de Chipman was burgess, returned for Chippenham, County Wilts. Sir and Rev. John de Chippenham, living in 1360, is noted as among the one hundred and nineteen legates of Elizabeth de Burgh, Countess of Clare, daughter of Gilbert, Earl of Gloucester, and Joan d'Acre, daughter of King Edward I. of England. Beginning with A. D. 1198, there is a long line of representatives of the name in distinguished station in England. A. D. 1198 appears Walter Chiepmann, and in the same year Segar Chiepmann; 1216, Henry de Chippenham, Johannes de Chippenham, member of Parliament; 1327, Walterus de Chippenham; 1355, Johannes de Chippenham; 1385, Walter Chippenham; 1421, Henry Chippenham; 1433, Henry Chippenham; 1509, Juliana de Chipman; 1518, Nicholas Chippenham, ecclesiastical commissioner; 1625, Edward Chipman; with many others,—distinguished prebendaries, archdeacons, ambassadors and magistrates.

(The Ancient Lineage).

(I) Thomas Chipman, of Dorsetshire, England, ancestor of the line, was himself descended from a family of that name who had long held estates in the county. He inherited from his father a valuable estate in Whitchurch, Dorsetshire, England, long in the family, the history of which property very vitally affected the fate of his only son, John, the American founder of the family. Thomas Chipman was born probably in Whitchurch (not far

from Dorchester, County Dorset, England) about 1567. He resided for a time at Bryan's-Piddle, in the same county, and was the owner of a property described as "Some certain Tenement or Tenements with a Mill and other Edifice thereunto belonging Lyding and being in Whitchurch of Marshwood vale near Burfoot Alias Breadport (Bridport) in Dorsetshire aforesd heretofore worth 40 or 50 Pounds p Annum." The history of the loss of this property is a most interesting one. Thomas Chipman appears to have remained unmarried until after the age of thirty years. In the vicinity of his estate dwelt his kinsmen (of the wealthy family of Derby) to whose influence he seems to have been highly susceptible. There kinsmen induced him, for what reason is not known, to part with his patrimonial acres, which he did "about three-score years" before 1651, for a small consideration, or (as it has been described) "By reason of Some Kind of Sale made of Inconsiderable value by the sd Thomas (In the time of his Single Estate not then minding Marriage) unto his kinsman Mr. Christopher Derby living Sometime in Sturtle (Sturthill) near Burfort aforesd." Later, however, Thomas Chipman married, and having three children, the unwisdom of his course became apparent, for his kinsman refused absolutely to make any provision for his family, and his son and heir, John, the American founder, unavailingly attempted at a later period to regain possession of the family property.

Thomas Chipman died about 1623. He married, about 1590, a lady whose name is unknown; she died about 1637. The information as to the children of this marriage is gathered from the document prepared by their son, John, the America founder, then in America, hereinafter referred to, in which he speaks of his sisters "Hanor and Tumsun." It thus appears that Thomas Chipman had three children as follows: 1. John, mentioned below. 2. Hanor. 3. Tumsun.

(The Family in America).

(I) John Chipman, founder of the family in America, son of Thomas Chipman, of Dorsetshire, England, was born near Dorchester (and probably Bryan's Piddle), County Dorset, England, about 1614. His kinsman, Christopher Derby (hereinabove referred to as being connected with the sale of Thomas Chipman's property), with an evident intention of preventing any awkward questions by the young man, then rapidly approaching years of judgment, appears to have sought for him "a good opening for a young man." He apprehended, apparently, states the family chronicler, that John Chipman "now near his majority might on reaching it, bring, should he remain in England, an action at law for ejectment, so troubling, if not ousting Christopher, but who, removed to America, would scarcely attempt such litigation."

By a comparison of the document which John Chipman later prepared concerning his right to the family property, and the record of incoming inhabitants made by Governor Winthrop, the age, date of arrival, and various other important facts concern-

ing the founder Chipman are gleaned. He states he "supposeth his Age to be thirty seven years," and as the document is dated February 8, 1651, it appears that he was born about 1614. He further proceeds to relate that he left England "next May Twenty and one year Since he Come out of England," which figured by the calendar as it then was, would give the year of his arrival in America as 1631. Governor Winthrop supplements and confirms this by the entry: "Year 1631 \* \* \* July 14, the ship called the Friendship, of Barnstable (England) arrived at Boston, after she had been at sea eleven weeks and beaten back by foul weather. She set sail from Barnstable (England) again, about the midst of May." Thus we discover the ship and date of sailing of the founder of the family as the "Friendship," out of Barnstable, Devonshire, England, leaving in May, 1631, which after a rough passage, and once putting back, at last reached Boston, in New England, July 14, 1631.

John Chipman was about sixteen or seventeen years of age at the time of his arrival, and settled first in Dorchester, Massachusetts. Until he reached full age, he was a ward of Richard Derby, who exercised the rights of a guardian in regard to his affairs. This Richard Derby was a member of the same family which had deprived John's father of his estate; they were large landowners in England, and men of much influence and power, who were heavily concerned in the commercial side of the Massachusetts colonization. From 1631 to 1635, and perhaps thereafter, John Chipman resided in Plymouth, where his guardian, Richard Derby, had his home. Later he was in Yarmouth, from 1646 to 1649, and thereafter in Barnstable, from about 1649 to 1679. Somewhat later he removed to Sandwich.

Of his record in the New England settlements, we have a long and honorable account. He became ruling elder in the church; and was the owner of considerable land. On June 1, 1649, while living in Barnstable, he purchased from Edward Fitzrandolph a tract of land; on December 10, 1672, he made a purchase of lands in Barnstable from Lieutenant John Howland, the locality of the property being the Great Marshes, later known as West Barnstable. This property was destined to remain in the Chipman family for more than seven generations. Among his offices of honor were those of selectman for many years, and magistrate in Plymouth Colony; he was also deputy to the General Court, and strong in the faith, was authorized "to frequent the Quaker meetings to endeavor to rescue them from the error of their ways." In accordance with the custom of the Colonial period, his gentle blood and excellent station were recognized by the prefix "Mr." to his name in documents, and in token of his valuable services, he received various grants of land made to "Mr. John Chipman" during 1661 to 1673. On January 30, 1652-53, he entered the Barnstable church, his wife having become a member in August, 1650. On April 14, 1670, he was invested with the office of ruling elder. Later, when he removed to Sandwich, "the church in Barnstable made him offers of an annual salary, and the

town of Barnstable voted to him the propriety (i. e. proprietorship) of valuable meadow lands, conditioned that he would return to that position (of ruling elder) there.

As to the English property of the Chipman family, though he was clearly entitled thereto, the founder, John Chipman, while convinced of the injustice of which he had been the victim, could never enforce his claims against his wealthier and more powerful kinsmen; it appears that he tried to regain the estate, and "that one step towards such an attempt was taken." On March 2, 1641-42, a suit was brought against John Derby with the "intent to recover money which John Derby withheld from 'his cousin Chipman'." This suit was tried in Plymouth by Edward Winslow, then an assistant and previously and thereafter Governor of Plymouth Colony. A deposition of one Ann Hinde, taken on behalf of the complainant in the above suit, is illuminating as to the facts of the case, and among other items disclosed, it appears that:

Ann Hinde, the wife of Wm. Hoskins, \* \* \* being examined \* \* \* afeirmeth upon oath as followeth: That the said Ann lived in the house of Mr. Darbeys father with the said John Chipman att such times as the said John Chipman came from thence to New England to serve Mr. Richard Darbey, his brother. \* \* \* The said Ann came afterwards likewise over, to serve the said Richard Darbey.

The deposition continues that on her leaving England:

\* \* \* old Mr. Darbey requested this deponent to comend him to his cosen Chipman, and tell him if he were a good boy he would send him over the money that was due to him when hee saw good; and further, whereas this deponent heard the said John Darbey affirme that his money was payed to John Chipman's mother, shee further deposeeth that his mother was dead a quarter of a yeare or thereabouts before her old master sent this message to his cosen Chipman; to which this deponent sweareth.

So far as is known, nothing beneficial to John Chipman resulted from the above suit. After having been in America about twenty years, John Chipman, encouraged by his relatives and friends, determined to make an effort to obtain redress and satisfaction in the matter of his English property. On February 8, 1651-52, he prepared a document, of which an ancient copy is preserved, which was intended to be transmitted to England and to form the basis of his claims there, which document he entitled:

A brief Declaration with humble Request (to whom These Presents shall Come) for further Inquiry and Advice in ye behalf of John Chipman now of Barnstable in the Government of New Plimouth in New England in America (he) being ye only Son & Heir of Mr. Thomas Chipman Late Deceased at Brinspittoel (Bryan's-Piddle) about five miles from Dorchester in Dorsetshire, in England.

No result so far as has ever been learned came from the efforts of the founder in this matter. More than a century later, one of his descendants, who was "by the right of primogeniture the lawful heir" \* \* \* "caused inquiries to be made of Silas Dean or Dr. Franklin (one or both) colonial agent (then) in England, in regard to the estate," which enquiries "resulted in ascertaining that the rental



was (then) worth £500 sterling." These inquiries were made just before the Revolution; it had been the intention of the then head of the Chipman line to prosecute his claims in England, but the outbreak of war, and his strong Colonial sympathies, caused the whole matter to be abandoned. John Chipman died April 7, 1708.

He married (first), in 1646, Hope Howland, daughter of John Howland, the "Mayflower" Pilgrim, and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland, his wife. (See Howland II. See Tilley II.). He married (second), in 1684, Ruth Sargent, daughter of William Sargent. (See Sargent). Issue (among others) by first wife, Lydia, mentioned below.

(II) Lydia Chipman, daughter of John and Hope (Howland) Chipman, was born in Barnstable, Massachusetts, December 25, 1654. She died March 2, 1730. She married (as his third wife) John Sargent, son of William and Sarah (Minshall) Sargent. (See Sargent).

**JOHN HOWLAND**—The original, highly ornamented, water color painting of the Howland escutcheon, from which copies of the arms used in this country have been made, is said to have been brought to America shortly after the arrival of the "Mayflower." In 1865 this painting was in the possession of Rev. T. Howland White, of Shelbourne, Nova Scotia, a lineal descendant of Joanna Howland, daughter of John Howland, son of the Pilgrim. The arms bear the following inscription: "He beareth sable, two bars argent, on a chief of the second three lions rampant of the first, and for his crest, on a wreath of his colors a lion passant sable. By the name of Howland."

This ancient English family is found seated in Essex, prior to the reign of King Henry VII. A somewhat remarkable fact connected with the lineage is that its surname of Howland is disclosed, in early centuries, in only one county or England, Essex, and although various families have spread to other parts of the kingdom, they all, either nearly or remotely derive from the Essex root. Several of the representatives of the family during its long course acquired great fortunes and were honored with knighthood; and of these, one line, eventuating in an heiress, united the Howland blood with the ducal house of Bedford, the then head of which obtained the title of Baron Howland, which is still borne among the honors of that exalted line of peers.

By a curious error, into which several writers have fallen, a certain Humphrey Howland, of London, is made the father of the American pioneers, John, Henry and Arthur. He was in fact their brother, as well as brother to George, who remained in England; he was doubtless the oldest brother of the family. Humphrey Howland, citizen of London, where he engaged in business as a draper, died in 1646, leaving a will dated May 28, 1646, and proved July 10th of that year, by which he bequeathed, in the order named, to George of St. Dunston's in the East, London; Arthur, John and Henry; these last named three brothers were to

receive—Arthur, £8, John, £4, and Henry, £4, out of the debt due to Humphrey "by Mr. Ruck, of New England." This John Ruck was in the year 1646 a resident of Salem, a son of Thomas Ruck, of England, and it is evident that he owed £16 to Humphrey Howland, who thus willed it to his brothers, then at Plymouth. Annie Howland, widow of Humphrey Howland, was executrix of the will, and she likewise administered upon the estate of George Howland, July 11, 1646. She died in 1653, and was buried at Barking, Essex, the old home county of the Howlands, December 20, 1653, leaving a will dated December 10, 1653, and proved November 22nd of the year following, by William Courtoyse, to whom she left considerable legacies. George Howland was, apparently, deceased in or prior to 1646, and probably without leaving a widow or children, since his sister-in-law was appointed to settle his affairs. Arthur, John and Henry Howland all came to America.

John Howland was of the "Mayflower" company. The progeny of these three Howlands is a large and prominent one in New England, and from the earliest years of the struggle of Plymouth Colony for a foothold in the New World has played an important part in our life and affairs.

(The Family in America).

(I) John Howland, the progenitor, was born about 1592 in England. It is probable that had he not early become imbued with Puritan doctrines, his family would have established him creditably in England, but his pronounced opinions at an early age laid him open to the persecution which was driving the Puritans out of England by the shipload. Imbibing Pastor Robinson's tenets at Scrooby, he left England for Amsterdam, and after a year of residence there, removed with others to Leyden, where the Rev. John Robinson had gathered his flock about him. For his subsequent actions, we must look to the events leading up to the epochal removal of the Pilgrims from Holland, which have thus been described:

The "Mayflower" \* \* \* was chartered in London. At Southampton the Pilgrims found the "Mayflower" with English Separatists who were to join the colony. \* \* \* From Plymouth for New England, on the sixth of September, sailed the "Mayflower." \* \* \* She was deeply laden with the winnowed remnant of the Pilgrim band, and a few recruits \* \* \* a hundred and two in all and all their outfit.

John Howland was among this famous band of the "Mayflower" Pilgrims, and on the noted list or history of the voyage and passengers prepared by Governor Bradford (a document indited in his own handwriting and long lost, but at last restored to Massachusetts), his name appears. The end of their long and suffering voyage in sight, the famous "Mayflower Compact" was entered into, and signed by forty-one out of the adult males among the passengers, and John Howland's name was the thirteenth in order of signing. Before the weary Pilgrims could make a landing, a suitable site for settlement had to be selected, and John Howland was among those sent out to circumnavigate Cape

Cod harbor in search of a good place to land. States the historian: "The cold was extreme. 'The water froze on their clothes and made them many times like coats of iron,'" and they narrowly escaped with their lives in a severe storm. This was the second occasion when John Howland had nearly lost his life before the voyage closed. At this time he was twenty-eight years of age and, according to Prince, was a member of Governor Carver's family. How this came about is not known, but it is probable that Carver saw elements in his character which led him to supply young Howland's wants for the journey to America, and to cause him to be considered one of the family. That he possessed sound judgment and business capacity is shown by the active duties which he assumed, and the trust which was reposed in him in all the early labors of establishing a settlement. With the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth, the notable work of John Howland's career began. He continued in importance in the settlement until his death. The first mention of John Howland in old Plymouth colony records is on a list of freemen, and in an enumeration of the members of the Governor's "council" of seven, of which he is the third. He was highly esteemed by Bradford, who on all occasions selected him among the principal men of the settlement to carry forward important undertakings. He was made one of the assessors in 1633-34. In 1627, with Governor Bradford and six others prominent in the colony, he was selected to conclude a compact with various merchants in London, relating to the relinquishment of their claims against the colonists which "continued to give much vexation;" in this year also he was enumerated in the cattle division, while previously, in 1623-24, he had taken part in the division of lands. Beginning with 1652 he served as deputy from Plymouth eight times, was selectman from Plymouth, 1666, surveyed the lands, acted on committees of every description, aided in settling estates, performed the duties of trustee, and "was a profitable member both in Church and Commonwealth," says Governor Bradford. He was not only full of zeal for the temporal welfare of the colony, but gave powerful encouragement to a high standard of morals and religion, so much so that he is recorded as "a godly man and an ancient professor in the ways of Christ." In 1667, at the ordination of John Cotton, Jr., he was appointed by the church "to join in the imposition of hands." He was, however, liberal in his religious opinions, and of a kindly sympathy of spirit; his brothers became affiliated with the Quakers, and at the time of the troubles with that sect, he was for a period, through his sympathy with that persecuted body, dropped from the General Court.

A portion of his property was at Island Creek pond, and he had also two small islands in Geir's harbor; for a time he resided in Duxbury, the better to superintend his affairs, but after a short residence there, he returned to Plymouth. Before 1665 he removed to Rocky Nook, where he lived until his death. John Howland died, aged more

than eighty years, February 23, 1673. His will, dated May 29, 1672, names his ten children.

He married Elizabeth Tilley, daughter of John Tilley, sixteenth signer of the Compact. Elizabeth Howland survived her husband and died in Swansea, December 21, 1687, aged about eighty years, at the home of her daughter, Lydia Brown. She was the last but three of the "Mayflower" passengers to die. Issue of John and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland, among others, Hope, mentioned below.

(II) Hope Howland, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland, was born August 30, 1629, and died January 8, 1684. She married, in 1646, John Chipman. (See Chipman).

(The Tilley Line).

The surname Tilley is found in England as early as the Norman Conquest, and appears in the Domesday Book. The name was common also in France and Holland at an early date, and is doubtless of Norman-French origin, as Lower states that there is a village of Tilly in the department of Calvados in Normandy. The name is spelled in ancient records Tillie, Tilly, Teley, Tiley, Tilee and Tely. It is highly probable that Tylle, a surname in use to-day, is also of the same stock.

*Arms*—Argent, a wivern with wings endorsed sable, charged on the breast with an annulet or.

*Crest*—The head of a battle-ax, issuing from a wreath.

Among the passengers on the "Mayflower," in 1620, were two males of the name of Tilley: Edward Tilley, who was accompanied by his wife Ann; and John Tilley, who brought his wife and daughter Elizabeth. These Tilley passengers seemed doomed to misfortune; Edward and his wife were unable to stand the hardships of the first terrible winter, and died in the spring, 1620-21, leaving no male descendants. John Tilley and his wife also died in 1621, his daughter Elizabeth being the sole survivor of the family. She became the wife of John Howland, the Pilgrim, and it is through her alone that descent can be traced to the Mayflower Tilleys. Other Tilleys came later. John Tilley was in Dorchester in 1628. William Tilley, of Barnstable and Boston, came from Little Minories, England, in the ship "Abigail," in June, 1636; he left a daughter Sarah, but no sons; others of the name came later.

(I) John Tilley, immigrant ancestor and founder, came to the American Colonies in December, 1620, on the "Mayflower." He was the sixteenth signer of the famous "Mayflower Compact." He and his wife died early in 1621, leaving an only daughter, Elizabeth.

(II) Elizabeth Tilley, daughter of John Tilley, after the death of her parents, became the ward of Governor Carver, first governor of Plymouth Colony. She later became the wife of John Howland, one of the "Mayflower" company, and thirteenth signer of the Compact. Among their children was Hope, mentioned below.

(III) Hope Howland, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Tilley) Howland, was born August 30, 1629, and died January 8, 1684. She married, in 1646, John Chipman. (See Chipman).



**NATHANIEL RICHARDSON**—The origin of this name (made up of a simple combination of two words, the Christian name of Richard and the word "son") was formed into "Richard's son," which by easy transition came into use as "Richardson" at the period when surnames became prevalent throughout the English nation. Many illustrious lines of Richardson have from time to time flourished in England, Scotland and Wales. Perhaps the oldest reference to a bearer of the name is found not long after the Norman Conquest, when William Belward, Lord of the Moity of Malpasse, had a son whom he called Richard; this son was called "Richard the Little," and he marrying left a son John, who for purposes of distinction was called John Richardson, a name which became in course of time contracted to Richardson, and since this early period has been adopted as a surname and borne by a host of distinguished nobles, gentlemen, diplomats, clerics, and persons of high, intellectual attainments.

*Arms*—Argent, on a chief gules three lions' heads erased or.

As an indication of the extent of the family, lineages are discovered in England in the counties of Norfolk, York, Durham, Gloucester, Nottingham, Warwick, Sussex, Surrey, Shrops and Derby, and overflowing the boundaries of England, are found in Wales, Scotland and Ireland, and lastly, in America. Among the distinguished members of the family were: Nicholas Richardson, of Durham and Yorkshire, 1561, whose family in 1600 received a grant of arms. Richard Richardson, of Bradford, Yorkshire, and later of Bierley, in the same county, who died in 1656. In 1630, for declining the honor of knighthood rendered by King Charles I., he was fined the sum of forty pounds, which he paid, and the receipt for such payment, carefully preserved and still in possession of one of his descendants, bears the signature of the famous and notorious Wentworth, Earl of Strafford, afterwards beheaded by order of Parliament. Dr. Thomas Richardson, of Norfolk, was another notable member of the line. His son, Sir Thomas Richardson, Knight, born at Hardwick, Norfolkshire, in 1569, was sergeant-at-law, chancellor to Queen Elizabeth, Speaker of the House of Commons, Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and in 1631 Lord Chief Justice of England. Sir Thomas's wife was created Baroness of Cramond in Scotland, and of this noble line of Richardson a long pedigree is preserved in the history of the county of Norfolk. Sir Thomas Richardson died February 4, 1634, and so distinguished had been his career that his remains were interred with much pomp in Westminster Abbey.

In Wales is found a line of Richardsons which descended originally from James Richardson, of Dumbries, Scotland, who married an heiress of the notable Scotch family of Dalziel. He had two grandsons, Henry and Samuel, the latter of whom was of Hensol Castle, Glamorgan, South Wales; he was high sheriff of Gloucester, 1787, and of Glamorgan, 1798; his son Henry was of Eber Hirnant, in the County of Merioneth. This distinguished family of Wales was originally connected with the Norfolk Richardsons, and it was from the line of Norfolk, according to the best

authorities, that the American settlers of the name of Richardson were descended.

(I) Thomas Richardson, founder of the family in America, was born in England, and as the authoritative historian of the family states, both he and his brothers "probably originated in Norfolk," in that country. His eldest brother, Ezekiel, was an American pioneer of 1630, and came over with Winthrop; as early as July 6, 1630, he is found at Charlestown, and, according to tradition, was a personal friend of Governor Winthrop, at whose solicitation he joined in the plan of overseas settlement. Ezekiel's younger brothers, Samuel and Thomas (ancestor of the line herein traced), followed him about five years later.

As early as February 21, 1635-36, Thomas Richardson was at Charlestown, in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, and on that date his wife Mary joined the church there. Thomas Richardson himself joined the same church 19th of 12th month (February), 1637-38, his brother Samuel joining at the same time. On May 2, 1638, Thomas Richardson was duly admitted a freeman of the colony, and the year previous, 1637, he received from the town of Charlestown a grant of a house plot; in the same year also his name was entered on the records as a citizen of the town.

A deep affection appears to have existed between all these brothers, and especially between the two younger, Thomas and Samuel. These latter without doubt made the voyage from England together; each obtained a house lot at the same time; they are recorded as citizens at the same time; and though the dates are not preserved, were probably married almost at the same time. We see the three brothers again affectionately uniting when they joined a new project of settlement undertaken in 1638. In that year, on April 20, they obtained a grant of a lot on the "Mistake Side and above the Ponds" (i. e. Malden), and probably labored together to make the development thereof a success. With his brothers, Ezekiel and Samuel, together with five others, Thomas Richardson joined in the foundation of the town of Woburn, on which historic site he was an original proprietor and inhabitant, and he was also foremost in the establishment of a church there in 1641. The previous year, he and others above named were commissioners chosen by the Charlestown church, November 5, 1640, to undertake the Woburn settlement. He died in Woburn, Massachusetts, August 28, 1651.

He married, in England, about 1635, Mary ———. She survived him and married, October 26, 1655 (as her second husband), Michael Bacon, Sr. (of Woburn in 1641), and ancestor of the noted New England family of that name. She died May 19, 1670. Issue seven children, of whom the youngest was Nathaniel, mentioned below.

(II) Nathaniel Richardson, son of Thomas and Mary Richardson, was born in Woburn, Massachusetts, January 2, 1650-51. The youngest son of the family, he grew to manhood in Woburn, where his family was not only an original proprietor, but a founder and a most influential inhabitant. Nathaniel Richardson took the freeman's oath and was admitted in 1690. He served as a soldier in Captain Prentiss's troop of horse, and with his fellow colonists went through the horrors

of the campaigns of that terrifying period; among other engagements in which he participated was the "Great Swamp Fight" of December 19, 1675, where he was severely wounded. The brave soldier received in life no reward for his heroic conduct save the consciousness of a duty well done; later, however, the General Court of Massachusetts expressed the people's gratitude by grants, in 1728 and 1732, of various townships to the soldiers of the Narragansett campaign of their heirs. Joshua Richardson, a grandson of Nathaniel Richardson, was one of a committee appointed to lay out various of these tracts, and he drew one of the lots in Templeton, Worcester county, by virtue of his descent. Nathaniel Richardson died December 4, 1714.

He married Mary ———, who died December 22, 1719. Issue thirteen children, all born in Woburn, of whom his eldest son was Nathaniel, mentioned below.

(III) Nathaniel (2) Richardson, son of Nathaniel (1) and Mary Richardson, was born in Woburn, Massachusetts, August 27, 1673. His residence was in Woburn until after 1710, and he then took up his domicile at Rumney Marsh (later Chelsea, near and at that time a part of Boston). After a few years, he removed, about 1718, to Leicester, which had been incorporated as a town, February 15, 1713. He bore a prominent share in the life and affairs of Leicester, became town clerk and selectman in 1722, was moderator of town meetings, influential in the church, and one of those who by their earnest labors succeeded in bringing Rev. David Parsons to settle in the town in 1721. He was a landholder in Leicester, and was joined with the thirty-six other fellow-townsmen in the deed which the committee of proprietors made, January 11, 1724-25, of the easterly half of the town of Leicester. He was also actively engaged as the first innholder in the town, being so authorized in 1721 and 1722, and his old Colonial homestead stood at the intersection of what was called the Great Post Road, about the centre of the town, but the house was destroyed by fire prior to the Revolution. He died about 1728.

He married, September 18, 1694, Abigail Reed, daughter of Israel and Mary (Kendall) Reed, of Woburn. (See Reed III). His estate was administered by his widow and his son Nathaniel, February 20, 1729. He left no will. Issue thirteen children, of whom his eighth child was Deborah, mentioned below.

(IV) Deborah Richardson, daughter of Nathaniel (2) and Abigail (Reed) Richardson, was born in Woburn, Massachusetts, about 1708. Her girlhood was passed in Leicester, and marrying a citizen of that place, she resided there throughout her life. She died in 1770. She married, September 29, 1726, Jonathan Sargent, son of Jonathan (1) and Mary (Lynde) Sargent. (See Sargent IV).

**ISRAEL REED**—The lineage of Reed in England is traceable backward for centuries to a period antecedent to the Norman Conquest, and comprehends in its history great nobles, gentlemen of landed property, and distinguished dignitaries of church and State. The family of Reed in England is there found established more than a thousand years ago, and derives its origin from the great chieftain Cairbre Read, who

founded the clan of Rede or Reed and established the kingdom of Dalriada upon the western coast of Scotland. There, in succession, reigned nine chieftains of the Reeds, until the ninth sovereign chieftain, Read, was defeated by Kenneth, and leaving the scene of his former power, founded the settlement of Redesdale and there established a part of his clan.

*Arms*—Gules, a saltire between four garbs or.

*Crest*—On the stump of a tree vert, a falcon rising proper.

*Motto*—*Cedant arma togæ.* (Let arms yield to the gown).

Descending from these great chieftains came the lordly Reeds or Reads of Morpeth, celebrated in song and poetry, owners of Morpeth Castle, and whose matrimonial alliances comprised, among others, the semi-royal house of Ross, now represented in the British peerage by several earldoms, the great Welsh house of Meredith, and the family of Cadwalader, claimed to be the oldest in England and which traces its ancestry from the period of the early princes of Wales. The Reeds or Reads of Morpeth trace their lineage from Brianus de Rede of that manor, living A.D. 1139. Thence also trace the heroic Lairds of Thoroughend, chiefs of the clan of Reed; also the notable Reeds or Reads of Barton Court, and many other famous lines of old families of England, Scotland and Wales.

Many representatives of this famous family came to America in the age of the pioneers, and among these was William Reed, hereinafter referred to, a notable member of the lineage who worthily upheld the ancient honorable name which he bore. The line he established in America has been noted throughout its New World history for the distinction attained by a large number of its members.

(I) William Reed, the founder of the family in America, was among the first of the pioneers in America. He came to the New World in 1635, being accompanied thence by his wife Mabel, and settled in Woburn, Massachusetts, where he was one of the first to reside. His pioneer life was one distinguished by energy, indomitable perseverance and great courage, characteristics markedly displayed by his Old World ancestors; his interests in England, however, recalled him thence, and in 1656 he returned to his native land, where he died. After his death, Mrs. Reed, accompanied by her family, once more made the voyage to America, and took up her permanent residence in New England. Among the children of the founder was Israel, mentioned below.

(II) Israel Reed, son of William and Mabel Reed, was born in Woburn, Massachusetts, in 1642. His early life was passed at the little township of his birth, but he was subsequently taken by his father and mother to England, and resided there some years, receiving the benefits of an excellent education. After 1656, the family returned to America, where Israel Reed married, and where he continued to live the remainder of his life, an influential and esteemed citizen of Woburn. He married Mary Kendall. Issue among others: Abigail, mentioned below.

(III) Abigail Reed, daughter of Israel and Mary (Kendall) Reed, was born in Woburn, Massachusetts, January 2, 1678-79, and was long a resident of historic Woburn. She died in 1759. She married, September 18, 1694, Nathaniel Richardson, son of Nathaniel and



Mary Richardson, who was born in Woburn, August 27, 1673, and died about 1728. (See Richardson).

**THOMAS FARRINGTON**—The origin of the surname Farrington is Saxon, and was originally Ferndon, signifying "Fern Hill." It is one of the most ancient in England, dating from Saxon times, and in Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Lancashire, are found old towns bearing the name of Farrington. The lineage is numbered among the Royalty, nobility, and gentry of England; notable families were long established in County Lancaster, lineally descended from John de ffarrington, of the reign of Henry III., and from whom the families of Werden and Woodvale in Lancashire trace their descent. The Farringtons, of Farrington, Lancashire, were long seated in that locality, and from them the Farringtons of Chichester, Sussex, descend, as well as the Farringtons of London. In ancient times the name was invariably rendered "ffarrington," two small letters "f" being employed in place of the modern capital "F."

*Arms*—Gules, three cinquefoils argent.

*Crest*—A wyvern sans wings.

(Farrington of Farrington).

(I) Sir Henry Farrington, of Farrington, in County Lancaster, Knight, married (first) Ann, daughter of Sir Alexander Radclyff, or Ordeshall; (second) Dorothy Okeover, daughter of ——— Okeover, of Okeover, in County Stafford. Issue by first wife: 1. William, eldest son, died young. 2. Thomas, alderman of Chichester and three times mayor, died 1572. 3. Robert. Issue by second wife: 4. William, mentioned below.

(II) William Farrington, son of Sir Henry and Dorothy (Okeover) Farrington, was of Werden, County Lancaster, and married Ann Talbot, daughter of Sir Thomas Talbot, of Bashall, Knight. Issue: 1. Thomas, mentioned below. 2. Henry, married Margaret Brewster, daughter and co-heiress of Edward Brewster, of Maxfield. 3. William.

(III) Thomas Farrington, son of William and Ann (Talbot) Farrington, was of Werden, and married Mabel Benson, daughter and co-heiress of George Benson, of Hugill, in County Westmoreland. Issue: 1. William, mentioned below. 2. Thomas. 3. Henry. 4. Anne, married William Preston, of Preston. 5. Alice, married Anthony Savage, of Plompton, County Lancaster.

(IV) William (2) Farrington, son of Thomas and Mabel (Benson) Farrington, was of Werden, and married Margaret Worrall, daughter of Henry Worrall, of Wysall, County Nottingham. Issue: 1. William. 2. Ann.

(Farrington of London).

(I) John Farrington, of London, gentleman, married Joane Caldwell, sister and co-heiress of Geoffrey Caldwell, and daughter of Rafe (Ralph) Caldwell. Issue: 1. Thomas, mentioned below. 2. James, of London; married Sarah Seres, daughter of William Seres, of London.

(II) Thomas Farrington, of London, married Alice ———, and had issue: 1. Thomas. 2. Reding. 3. Caldwell, mentioned below. 4. John, of Mitton, County Stafford.

(III) Caldwell Farrington, of London, married Anne French, daughter of Edmund French, of London. Issue: 1. Edmund. 2. John. 3. Margaret. 4. Anne.

(The Family in America).

(I) Edmund Farrington, the founder of the family in America, was of Olney, Buckinghamshire, England, and was born about 1587. He married in England, in or prior to 1621, and at the time of his removal to New England was accompanied by his wife and their four children then living, all of whom were under the age of sixteen years. In 1635, with his family, he journeyed to Southampton, England, and there embarked on the ship "Hopewell," Captain Bundock, master, and arrived at the Massachusetts Bay Colony, April 1, 1635.

Almost immediately thereafter, he established his domicile in Lynn, Massachusetts, and became a proprietor there in 1638. He was a miller, and soon became prosperously established, as well as a leader in the affairs of Lynn. It is apparent that he was of an adventurous spirit, and a moving force among the Lynn settlers in the promotion of colonization projects, and in 1639 he joined with Josias Stanborough and others in the acquirement of a vessel to be used for the conveyance of passengers and their outfit in the projected attempt at colonization on Long Island, which the Lynn settlers had in contemplation. An agreement was entered into as to the "disposal" of this vessel, March 10, 1639, wherein Edmund Farrington's name appears. In this document, Edmund Farrington and his associates are called the "Undertakers," and in addition to his signature thereon appeared those of John Farrington and Thomas Farrington, two of his sons.

On the 17th of May, 1640, in company with various others of the inhabitants of Lynn, Edmund Farrington made a voyage with Captain Daniel How to Long Island, where they cast anchor in Cow Bay and entered into negotiations with the Indians for the purchase of a tract of land. From the savages, they acquired a tract running from the eastern part of Oyster Bay to Cow Bay, and began a settlement; however, the jurisdiction of that territory was claimed by the Dutch, and Governor Kieft of New Netherland speedily drove them forth, when they were forced to abandon the land. A new site for settlement being necessary, they chose the district called Agawam, and purchased from the Indians for a consideration of sixteen coats and eighty bushels of Indian corn, a tract of land about twenty miles long and six miles wide on Long Island, which tract they christened "Southampton," and began their settlement, December 13, 1640. Edmund Farrington remained there some years, superintending the inception of the enterprise, but later, the colony being firmly established, returned to Lynn, where he had retained his property.

In 1643 he was in Lynn, and is mentioned in the inventory of Abraham Belknap; in 1661, he made a deposition that he was then about seventy-four years of age. His vigor and activity are shown when, in 1665 (then seventy-eight years old), he built himself a mill, dug a pond, and opened a brook for half a mile. This brook was called in his honor "Farrington's Brook." In 1661 he made a deed to his eldest son, Matthew, of lands in Lynn. Edmund Farrington died

January 2, 1671. He married, in England, Elizabeth ——. Issue: 1. Sarah, born in England about 1621. 2. Matthew, mentioned below. 3. John, mentioned below. 4. Eliza, born in England; eight years old in 1635; married John Fuller. 5. Edward, mentioned below. 6. Thomas, mentioned below.

(II) Matthew Farrington, son of Edmund and Elizabeth Farrington, was born in England in 1623, and in 1635, when twelve years of age, accompanied his parents to New England on the "Hopewell." He may have gone to Southampton for a short period, but he soon returned to Lynn, Massachusetts, where his father made him a deed of land in 1861. It is thought that Matthew Farrington married, while on a visit to Long Island, and that some of his children were born there. Some difference exists as to the number and names of his children, but the following have been declared by various writers to be his: 1. John, soldier in Captain Gardner's company, and wounded December 19, 1675; married Lydia Hudson. 2. Matthew, a freeman in 1691. 3. Theophilus. 4. William.

(II) John Farrington, son of Edmund and Elizabeth Farrington, was born in England about 1624. He was brought by his father and mother to America in 1635, and is recorded as then being eleven years of age. He was at Lynn with his father, and there gave bonds for Isaac Deesbro before the General Court. On December 11, 1646, he settled in Dedham, but later removed to Southampton, going thence with Rev. Abraham Pierson. His name was affixed to the undertaking as to the vessel for the Southampton settlers, March 10, 1639. Later he returned to Lynn. John Farrington died in 1676. Administration on his estate was granted to his widow, Mary, July 28, 1676, and after her decease in 1704, their son John made distribution of the estate, July 3, 1704, to his brothers and sisters. Issue: 1. Mary, born in 1650. 2. John, mentioned below; distributed father's estate, 1704. 3. Nathaniel. 4. Daniel. 5. Benjamin. 6. Sarah, married ——. Witherley. 7. Abigail, married ——. Hoadley. 8. Mary, married ——. Kenney; issue, Mary Kenney. 9. Hannah, married ——. Abbott; issue, John Abbott.

(II) Edward Farrington, son of Edmund and Elizabeth Farrington, appeared on the list of inhabitants at Southampton, Long Island, in 1645, and he was in that township also in 1656, 1657, and perhaps in 1658. He was one of the patentees or incorporators of Flushing, and was in residence at Flushing in the year 1651, and a magistrate there in 1657. He was a man of property and substance in Flushing.

He was in strong sympathy with the Society of Friends, "Quakers" so called; on December 26, 1657, then being a magistrate at Flushing, he signed his name to the famous "Remonstrance" addressed to Governor Stuyvesant, in answer to the latter's proclamation against the Quakers. This "Remonstrance" was the culmination to the troubles which had arisen since the arrival of the ship "Woodhouse" on August 6, 1657, which brought to the New Netherlands several members of the Society of Friends, some of whom removed to Long Island and settled in Jamaica and Flushing. Governor Stuyvesant issued a proclamation imposing a fine on any one who harbored a Quaker for a night, one-half of the fine to go to the informer. "This cruel law," states an historian of Flushing,

"called out the famous and noble remonstrance of Flushing, which was signed by twenty-eight freeholders" (of whom Edward Farrington was one). The property owners who thus signed this paper were later made to suffer for their boldness. Among others, Edward Farrington was arrested and imprisoned, but on January 10, 1658, was pardoned and released. Later, the States-General in Holland (after hearing John Bowne, the famous Quaker, who was brother-in-law of Edward Farrington), directed Stuyvesant to be more lenient toward the sect, and thereafter meetings of the society were held at various houses in Flushing, among which were those of John Farrington (brother of Edward) and others. Edward Farrington made his will, April 14, 1673, and in it provided that his wife Dorothy should have the use of his property until her decease, and after her death to his "eldest son John all his housing, land, orchard, gardens in the town of Flushing, etc., to returne to ye next heire male of the blood of ye Farringtons and soe from generation to generation forever." He married Dorothy ——. Issue: 1. John. 2. Matthew, mentioned below.

(II) Thomas Farrington, son of Edmund and Elizabeth Farrington, was in Southampton in 1645, five years after its foundation. He joined with his father in signing the undertaking as to the vessel for the use of the Southampton settlers in 1639, but when the charter of Flushing was obtained from the Dutch governor, Kieft, October 10, 1645, he is recited as the first patentee "Thomas Farrington" out of the entire eighteen incorporators. He owned a large tract of land in Flushing, and was one of its most prominent inhabitants. He married Abigail ——.

(III) John Farrington, son of John Farrington, was born in Flushing; he was a member of the Society of Friends, and in 1707 was engaged to take care of the meeting house. His kinsman was John Farrington, the Quaker, who suffered so severely during the Revolution. In the account preserved of the property losses of the Quakers when the British occupied Long Island appears the following items:

1780. Taken from John Farrington a gun worth £2; a table £3; 2 hogs £8 10s.

1781. 3rd month. There came to John Farringtons house David Rowland, a sergeant under Captain Hoogland, for a demand of £3 8s., took away a piece of linen, worth £3 6s., being levied by way of taxes, as was said to defray the expense of guarding the fort at Whitestone.

1782. Taken from John Farrington goods worth £3 11s. 4d.

It is said that nearly all the oppression of the Quakers in Flushing was at the hands of the Hessians. Not all the Farringtons, were non-combatants; a company was organized in Flushing, July 27, 1776, which became part of Colonel Josiah Smith's regiment, and was used to protect the live stock on Long Island. In the muster roll appear, under the heading of "Privates," the names of Benjamin Farrington and Matthew Farrington, who were allowed at the rate of \$6-2/3 per month. Captain Matthew Farrington, of the "Nancy," was married, November 27, 1780, to Phebe McCullum. Previously, in 1715, in the list of "officers and soldiers" belonging to the company of Captain Jonathan Wright, appeared: "Thomas Farrington, Bay Side," "Thomas Farrington of ye Towne," and "Samill Farrington," among the soldiers.



(III) Matthew Farrington, son of Edward and Dorothy Farrington, married Hannah ——. His name appears on the list of inhabitants of Flushing in 1689, and he is also referred to in the account of "Fflushings Prouisions" taken in July, 1711.

(IV) Thomas Farrington, son of Matthew and Hannah Farrington, was born in Flushing, Long Island, May 29, 1712. He removed from Flushing about 1750, and became domiciled first in Yonkers and afterwards at Hunt's Bridge, and lastly at Long Reach. He was one of the overseers of roads in East Chester, April 15, 1774.

Abigail Farrington, descendant of the above Flushing family, was born in Flushing, Long Island, December 12, 1763. She married Dr. William Lawton, son of Dr. Pliny and Lucretia (Sargent) Lawton. (See Lawton. See Sargent).

**ALBERT R. WHITE, LL.B.**—One of the most noteworthy figures in the business world of Taunton, Massachusetts, is Albert R. White, whose position as senior partner of the law firm of White & White is one of eminence and of long standing, but whose time for the past few years has been principally devoted to the development and progress of the Mount Hope Finishing Company, of North Dighton, Massachusetts. In public life, in fraternal activities, and in every phase of community, State and national progress, Mr. White bears a constructive part, and his usefulness in various fields is well known.

This branch of the White family has been in America for eleven generations, and it is understood that its progenitor in this country, William White, was a Puritan, who settled in Boston in 1638. John Edward White, Mr. White's father, was active in railroad affairs throughout his lifetime, during the greater part of the time with two systems, the Old Colony and the New York, New Haven & Hartford. In his death, May, 15, 1909, New Bedford lost a worthy and useful citizen. The mother, Sophia E. (Duffy) White, who was born at Hillsboro, New Brunswick, Canada, is still living.

Albert R. White was born in Boston, Massachusetts, March 28, 1877. His early education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, and he is a graduate of the New Bedford High School, class of 1894. Thereafter spending two years at the Boston University College of Liberal Arts, Mr. White took up his professional studies at the Boston University School of Law, and was graduated in the class of 1898, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Mr. White was admitted to the bar of his native State on February 15, 1899, and shortly afterward began the practice of law in Taunton, as a member of the firm of White & White, the senior partner of this firm being for a number of years the late Judge Lloyd E. White, of honored memory. Specializing in corporate and tax law, Mr. White won a very high position in his chosen profession. Everett Sargent White (see sketch following), son of Judge White, became the junior member of the firm in 1912, and since the retirement of Judge White, Albert R. White has been the

head of the firm. Although no tie of relationship exists between Mr. White and his partners, this association has been a peculiarly happy one, and the firm has always held the highest rank in the profession.

Through his specialties in the law, Mr. White very naturally became broadly familiar with conditions in the business world, and he became particularly interested in the progress of the Mount Hope Finishing Company, one of his early clients, this concern having retained his services from the year 1903, continuing until 1916. On September 1st of the latter year Mr. White was engaged to reorganize the employment and service department of this concern, and in 1918 he was made assistant general manager of the company, which position he still ably fills. Since that date he has devoted the greater part of his time to the development of this enterprise, and its growth and expansion attest the practical ability and keen foresight which have characterized his administration. Mr. White keeps constantly in touch with the trade; is a member of the National Association of Finishers of Cotton Fabrics; a member of the transportation committee of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts; and is chairman of the joint arbitration committee of the National Association of Finishers and Converters. His further business affiliations include directorships in the Bristol County Trust Company and the Taunton Co-operative Bank.

Mr. White's public and patriotic services also form a significant part of this record. A Republican by political convictions, and always a fearless advocate of party principles, Mr. White was brought forward in the public service some years ago. He served as a member of the City Council under the old administration, representing the Second Ward in that body for two years. He was a member of the school committee for nine years, and served as city solicitor of Taunton for four years. He was active for a year and a half as chairman of the Electric Lighting Commission, and as far back as 1900-1901 he was chairman of the Republican City Committee. The World War, calling out as it did the best efforts of the entire country in response to the great need of the hour, placed large responsibilities in Mr. White's hands. From April 1, 1917, until February 1, 1918, he served as a member of the Department of Justice with the Criminal Investigation Bureau at Boston, having full control over the Bristol county district. From the latter date until January 1, 1919, his services included activity in the Department of Labor, on the advisory board for the State of Massachusetts, of the United States Employment Service, during a part of the time in this connection acting as special arbiter for the allocation of labor to the lumber camps of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont. He received several certificates from the United States Government in acknowledgment of his services.

In fraternal circles Mr. White is also widely prominent, being a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Sutton Comandery

(New Bedford) Knights Templar; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is also a member of Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a leading figure among the members of the Winthrop Club, and is affiliated with the Unitarian church.

Mr. White married, in 1902, at Taunton, Alice M. Richardson, of this city, daughter of Frederick and Isabelle (Black) Richardson, for many years prominent residents of Bristol county. Mr. and Mrs. White are the parents of three children: John Stuart, born in 1905, now a student at Brown-Nichols Preparatory School, preparing for matriculation at Harvard University in 1923; Arnold Richardson, born in 1908, now a student at Taunton High School; and Katharine, born in 1911, now attending the Hedges School, a girls' private school at Norton, Massachusetts.

**EVERETT SARGENT WHITE, A. B.**—In legal circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Everett Sargent White has won marked prominence. It is not alone that he bears a name which has long been an ornament to the bench and bar of his native State. Mr. White possesses in full measure the qualities which carried his honored father to a high position in the profession, and his own legal attainments are well worthy of note. Coming of a family distinguished in many fields of endeavor since Colonial times, he has upheld the traditions of the family during the thirteen years of his active practice at the bar, and much is confidently expected of him in the future.

Judge Lloyd E. White, Mr. White's father, was born at Norton, Massachusetts, and the record of his life is one of the many brilliant pages in the annals of legal advance in the old Bay State. He was appointed associate justice of the Superior Court of Massachusetts in 1903, after a long and eminently worthy record at the bar of this State. On the bench was revealed the finely-balanced, judicial mind, the lofty appreciation of the duties and responsibilities of his position, and the undeviating uprightness of this just and righteous judge. He resigned shortly before his death, which occurred October 8, 1921, removing from the legal profession in New England a figure of distinction, a brilliant professional man, a spirit actuated by the highest ideals, and a citizen whose memory the community of his residence well may honor. He was always a leader of civic progress, and an advocate of all progressive endeavor. Affiliated with many fraternal and social organizations, he enjoyed the confidence and esteem of countless friends, and will long be remembered in Taunton and vicinity. He married Esther Sargent Baylies, daughter of Dr. Alfred Baylies, a noted Taunton physician whose name was a household word in this part of Bristol county for many years, during a generation now gone by.

Everett Sargent White was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, October 7, 1887. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1904.

Entering Tufts College for his course in the liberal arts, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1908, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter spending two years at Harvard University School of Law (1908-10), he was admitted to the bar in the latter year, and began the practice of law in Boston, in association with the firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart. About two years later Mr. White returned to his native city of Taunton to become a partner in the firm of White & White, with offices at No. 43 Taunton Green. He has since gone forward in this connection, specializing in corporate and tax laws, and has become a leading figure at the bar of his native State. Albert R. White, whose life is reviewed in the preceding sketch, is the head of the firm. As a well known and successful lawyer, Everett Sargent White has been welcomed into many circles, financial, fraternal and social, and has been brought forward in the patriotic endeavors which of recent years have loomed so large in the public economy. He is counsel of the Taunton Co-operative Bank and the Bristol County Trust Company. Although a Republican by political affiliation, and a loyal worker for the progress of the party, his public services have in no sense been of a political nature. Prior to the World War he attended the Officers' Training School, at Plattsburg (1916), but during that struggle he served as a member of the Legal Advisory Board, and was also active in the work of the American Protective Association.

Fraternally, Mr. White is a member of St. John's Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Boston; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar, Attleboro; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is also a member of the Acacia Society of the Masonic order, of the Zeta Psi college fraternity, and the Lions International Club. He is a member of the Winthrop and Segregansett Country clubs, and attends the Unitarian church, of which he is clerk.

Mr. White married, in Taunton, on June 30, 1917, Barbara Brabrook, daughter of George Hale and Grace Bradford (White) Brabrook, of Taunton, and they are the parents of two children: Virginia, born November 28, 1918; and William L., born August 30, 1921.

**ARTHUR CARLTON STAPLES**—As vice-president and one of the active executives of the Staples Coal Company of Taunton, Massachusetts, Arthur Carlton Staples is a broadly noteworthy figure in the commercial life of Bristol county. He is a son of Herbert Mason and Alice B. (Presbrey) Staples, both natives of Taunton. His father was one of the founders of the Staples Coal Company, and was one of the most prominent men of his day in the business life in this section. He died in 1904, and his passing removed from the organization of which he was so long the head, and from the city of Taunton, one of the most forceful, aggressive and thoroughly capable business men of his time. The mother, whose death occurred in



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1919, was a member of one of the very old and prominent families of Bristol county.

Arthur Carlton Staples was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, July 16, 1871. His education was received in the local public and high schools, and following the completion of his studies, he at once affiliated himself with the firm with which he now holds a responsible executive position. Beginning in a minor capacity as clerk, he filled various positions in the organization, rising to higher and larger responsibilities with the passing years until in 1915 he became vice-president of the corporation and still fills this office. The Staples Coal Company is one of the leading distributors of anthracite and bituminous coal in New England and has offices in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Taunton, Fall River, and also Warren and Bristol, Rhode Island. They have shipping ports in Philadelphia; Newport News and Norfolk, Virginia; New York City; and wharves at Boston, Fall River, Taunton, Massachusetts; also Warren and Bristol, Rhode Island. Their equipment also comprises ten tug-boats and thirty-two barges, all of large tonnage and heavy draught, also floating tower lighters and scows in Boston harbor; indeed, the organization has a complete equipment, such as few houses in its field in the East can boast. Incorporated in May, 1888, by some of the most noteworthy business men of that period, the concern has necessarily experienced some changes of personnel, but at present is officered as follows: President, Frederick Ludlam; vice-president, Arthur Carlton Staples; and treasurer, Walter Peterson. From a concern doing purely a local business in Taunton and Fall River during the first year of its existence, it now handles an enormous business, distributing coal throughout New England at wholesale and operating also retail stores in Taunton and Fall River. Mr. Staples is further interested in the business world of Taunton, as president of the Weir Co-operative Bank; a trustee of the Bristol County Trust Bank, and the Taunton Savings Bank; he is also vice-president of the Morris Plan Bank and is connected with many other business enterprises. By political affiliation he is a Republican, but has never been interested in public affairs, except as a private citizen, although in every movement of a progressive nature he bears a constructive part, and in the benevolent activities of the city he is active, serving as trustee of the Morton Hospital. He is a very prominent Mason, holding membership in the Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro and Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island; Massachusetts Consistory; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is past master of his lodge, and is district deputy of the Twenty-eighth Masonic Division, also junior warden of the Lodge of Perfection and all other Masonic bodies. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Segregansett Country, and he is identified with the Old Colony Historical

Society. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Staples married, in 1900, Grace G. Briggs, daughter of Charles F. and Attie M. (Walker) Briggs, her father a leading merchant of Taunton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Staples are the parents of two sons: Carlton L., born in 1901, a graduate of the Moses Brown Preparatory School of Providence, Rhode Island, class of 1921, and a student at Brown University, class of 1925; and Herbert Mason, born in 1907, and now a student at the Moses Brown Preparatory School of Providence, Rhode Island.

**HENRY WARDLE, M.D.**—A leading figure in professional circles in Fall River, Massachusetts, is Dr. Henry Wardle, who has won a position of influence and success in his chosen field of activity and is now active as leading physician and surgeon of this city. Trained in one of the leading institutions of the East, and with unusually extensive hospital experience, Dr. Wardle has been active in practice in Fall River for the past fifteen years and is highly esteemed by all who have employed him. He is a son of Thomas W. and Margaret H. (Moss) Wardle, both natives of England, the father born in Liverpool, and the mother in Manchester. Both came to the United States with their parents as children, and the family settling in Fall River, they were reared and educated here. Thomas W. Wardle became engaged in the grocery and meat business, in which he was active until the year 1904, when he removed to Worcester, Massachusetts, and continued along the same line until his death, which occurred in 1906. The mother survived him for many years, passing away in 1921.

Henry Wardle was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, February 24, 1885. His education was begun in the local public schools and he is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1903. In the fall of the same year the young man entered Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in the class of 1907, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Dr. Wardle served as interne at St. Ann's Hospital of Fall River for fifteen months following his graduation, and in the fall of 1908 came to Fall River to establish himself in the general practice of medicine. He opened his office in the same vicinity in which he is still located, and has always conducted a general practice. From the early years of his activity he was deeply interested and markedly successful in surgery, and is now considered one of the most successful surgeons of the day in Bristol county. He served as out patient surgeon of Union Hospital for several years, and later his private practice became so extensive that he was obliged to discontinue the duties of this position. He is now examining physician for the Life Extension Institute of New York City. He is a member of the American Medical Association; the Massachusetts State Medi-

cal Society; and the Fall River Medical Society, and stands high among the practitioners of this community. He is also a member of the Phi Alpha Sigma medical fraternity. Dr. Wardle's more personal interests include his affiliation with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He holds membership in the Unitarian church, with which his wife is also identified.

Dr. Wardle married, in 1910, Marjorie B. Allen, daughter of Captain John F. Allen, now deceased, but for many years a well known sea captain of Fall River.

**REV. EDWIN A. BUCK**—In recalling the wonderful work and the benevolent personality of Rev. Edwin A. Buck, who for nearly four decades served as city missionary of Fall River, Massachusetts, there is brought to mind such a record of fidelity to ideals, of sympathy lavishly poured out, of burdens shared and needs fulfilled, as rarely can be found in the story of any human life. Following in the footsteps of the Lowly Nazarene, "Father Buck," as he was for many years familiarly and affectionately known, walked with the poor and the needy, cared for the helpless, uplifted the outcast, whom he helped to usefulness and dignity, and in all his efforts inspired youth to high endeavor, leading, admonishing and guiding, as well as comforting the people whose needs and problems marked the daily round of his life work.

Edwin A. Buck was born in Bucksport, Maine, in the year 1824, and was descended from early American pioneer stock, the immigrant ancestor of the Buck family having been Roger Buck, who came to this country from England in 1636, settling in Boston. With the pioneer spirit strong in his heart, he approached life, confident in his own strength, but in that spirit of greatness which holds service the highest achievement. He dedicated his life to the Christian ministry at an early age, and following his elementary and preparatory studies in the schools of his birthplace entered Yale University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1849. He was a member of that group of high-minded young men who became famous in after years in many callings, Dr. Timothy Dwight, one of the most distinguished presidents of old Yale in all its history, having been a member of that class and a personal friend of Rev. Mr. Buck. Following the completion of his course in the liberal arts, Mr. Buck took up a theological course at Bangor Seminary, at Bangor, Maine, then completed his studies in the realm of theology at Andover Seminary, at Cambridge, Massachusetts. His first pastorate was at Pownal, Maine, and he later served at Bethel, that State, then accepted a call to Slatersville, Rhode Island. Thence he came to Fall River in the year 1867, to take up the duties of city

missionary, under the auspices of the City Missionary Society. The Central Church took over the responsibility of this work not long afterward, and supported it permanently. This move bore lasting meaning to the uplift work of this city, bringing the people of the church, as it did, into close personal touch with the needs of the poorer classes, rather than delegating their care to a department of the municipal administration. Not many years passed before the earnest spirit and familiar figure of Rev. Mr. Buck became a vital part of the conscious, upward struggle of that portion of the population which has been so aptly described as the "submerged tenth." Be the ratio what it may, this social group cannot rise from under the depressing forces of poverty, misfortune, and their own consequent lethargy, without the aid of a foreign and beneficent power stronger than those which bear them down. It was his deep and abiding love for those among whom he labored that brightened their dreary lives and inspired them to think of him and address him as "Father Buck." He was constantly among the people, and his ministry was more than that of the religious counsellor—he was the people's friend. He sought them out in the most unpromising surroundings, and his great faith in human nature gave them the confidence in themselves which enabled them to rise to useful and dignified positions in society.

Father Buck gave constant and unflinching support to the organized endeavors along various lines of Christian advance. It was rarely that a communion service at the Central Church was celebrated without his bringing one or more new members to join in its fellowship. He participated in the founding of the Fall River Pastors' Ministerial Association, and was one of the leaders in the movement which resulted in the organization of the Young Men's Christian Association in this city. But probably he will longest be remembered as the founder of the Fall River Boys' Club, an organization which has commanded international attention among social workers in many countries, who have patterned after it in bringing similar endeavors to a working basis. Father Buck was assisted in his efforts by Thomas Chew, who became superintendent of the club, and still serves in that capacity. A meagre, undecorated room on Third street was secured as headquarters for the club. Six reflection lights were hung, a piano was installed, twelve ordinary tables were placed about the room with benches around them and a few mottoes were hung on the walls. One corner of the room was raffled off for a library, and there a book-case contained 200 books and 65 games. Another corner was partitioned off for a toilet room, and was fitted up with two small hand basins and a roller towel. This was the beginning. A few boys ventured in, welcomed and encouraged by Father Buck's friendly words and benevolent smile. Now a building on Anawan street, the gift of M. C. D. Borden, erected at a cost of \$100,000, forms one of the homes of the Fall River Boys' Club. This was erected as far back as 1897, and ten years later another building was erected on Pocasset



street, at a cost of \$150,000. The club further owns a farm of 230 acres at Freetown, Massachusetts, where the boys get back to nature every summer. From the few boys who ventured in to see what was going on that opening night, the club has developed to a membership of about 3,500, while thousands of boys have gained their start in life through the courage they found in the helpful and inspiring work of the club. This is the living monument which stands in honor of Father Buck, although two decades have passed since his beloved body was laid to rest.

It was not only among the poor and needy that Father Buck was held in high esteem. His contemporaries of every shade of religious belief respected his fearlessness and admired his sincerity. He always kept in touch with his old class at Yale, and in 1899 he attended its fiftieth reunion, when only fifteen of the original number were present, and only thirty-three were still living. Dr. Timothy Dwight said to him on that occasion: "You have accomplished the most good of any member of this class." In his innate modesty Mr. Buck disclaimed his right to such an encomium, but Dr. Dwight replied: "The president of Yale College always tells the truth." This has been called the finest tribute ever paid this devoted worker for the uplift of others, yet the venerable and distinguished man who tendered it would have been the first to say that a higher tribute was given in the almost wordless, because unspeakable, sorrow of the people among whom he had labored, when they gathered to do honor to all that was left of their beloved spiritual father. He had been to them indeed a father in spirit, and they were deeply bereaved. From childhood, through youth and its aspirations, through maturity and its problems, even to the grave, he had borne their burdens and rejoiced in their happiness. He had united in marriage 1,635 couples, and at 3,000 funerals he had said the last sad rites and spoken the word of hope to the mourners. His church paper, for which he was long a correspondent, in commenting upon his death, said:

His ministry was whole-hearted and consistent. He was daily in the homes of the people, their minister, counselor and friend \* \* \* The funeral \* \* \* evinced the esteem in which Mr. Buck was held by all classes in the community. Men who have attended the burial services of leaders of national renown say that they never witnessed such a spontaneous outburst of love and gratitude as came to the surface in connection with the gathering in Central Church and at Oak Grove Cemetery. Humble people by the hundred welcomed the opportunity to look at his remains, and the tears shed told of the indebtedness of the poor, the discouraged, and the outcast, to their constant benefactor.

Many of these people he had saved from lives of degradation, from the drink habit, or from the hopeless despondency which is the bane and companion of abject poverty. A few years before his death Mr. Buck retired from his position as city missionary, but at the earnest request of the church he continued to devote to the needs of the poor as much time and effort as his failing strength would permit. His death was the immediate result of an

attack of pneumonia, but his vitality had so long borne the strain of ceaseless labors and utter selflessness that the span of his life, in all probability, would soon have been measured.

Rev. Edwin A. Buck married Elmira Walker, a descendant of early pioneer stock prominent in Massachusetts since 1632. Mrs. Buck cheered and encouraged her husband in his great work, sharing his sympathy with the poor and unfortunate. Her death occurred February, 1877. They were the parents of five daughters and one son, Augustus Walker, whose sketch follows.

**AUGUSTUS WALKER BUCK, A.B., M.D.**—Standing among the leaders of professional advance in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Dr. Augustus Walker Buck of Fall River has attained foremost rank in surgery, and his success in this field has given his name very definite and permanent significance in the city and vicinity. Dr. Buck is a son of Rev. Edwin A. Buck, whose sketch precedes.

Dr. Augustus Walker Buck was born at Slatersville, Rhode Island, but the family removing to Fall River in his boyhood, he attended the elementary and grammar schools of this city, and was graduated from the Fall River High School in the class of 1884. Entering Williams College at Williamstown, Massachusetts, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1888, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His choice of a profession already made, he then entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, and was graduated in 1892 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. For one year Dr. Buck served an internship at the Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia, then, returning to Fall River, he took up the practice of his profession in this city in the year 1893. He has built up a very extensive and lucrative practice, the foundation of his success having been built upon his skill in surgery. Following general lines from the beginning, Dr. Buck has kept in touch with the ceaseless progress in medical and surgical science, and now holds an authoritative position in many branches of the profession. He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State and Fall River City Medical societies. Except in those organizations closely affiliated with his profession, he has few connections, but is a member of the board of the Young Men's Christian Association, is president of the University Club, and is a member of the Rotary Club. He is a member of the surgical staff of the Union Hospital. Finding his favorite relaxation in out-of-door activities, he holds membership in the Fall River Country Club.

Dr. Buck married, in 1896, Jennie Lanphear of Beverly, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of five children: Edwin A., who served in the World War with the rank of first lieutenant, an instructor in marksmanship at Boston University, and is now manager of the Woolworth store at Freeport, Long Island, married, and has a son, Robert J.; Robert T., a student at Williams Col-

lege; Lanphear, also at Williams College; Elizabeth, a student at Smith College; and Roger, in high school.

**WILLIAM HALE REED**—As the treasurer and managing editor of the Taunton "Daily Gazette" of Taunton, Massachusetts, William Hale Reed is well known in Bristol county and, indeed, throughout this section of New England. This newspaper, which has been in the Reed family for more than half a century, is one of the oldest dailies of Massachusetts, always alive to the formative forces and progressive endeavors of the moment and always pledged to all that counts for civic righteousness and national integrity.

William Reed, father of the present owner, was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts, and died in 1913. He was graduated from Harvard University in the class of '64. During the Civil War he received a commission as lieutenant of infantry, in 1864, but his regiment was never mustered into active service as the war soon ended. He became one of the noted figures in newspaper work in Massachusetts, acquiring control of the Taunton "Gazette" in 1872, at which time he purchased the establishment then directed by Captain John W. D. Hall. Mr. Reed continued at the head of this business and in control of the newspaper end until his death, which occurred, as above stated, in 1913. With him became associated his son, William Hale Reed, whose name entitles this review, and the firm was eventually incorporated in 1899 under the title of William Reed & Sons Company. William Reed married Katherine Tracy Hale, of Newburyport, Massachusetts, who came of a very old family of that community, tracing her ancestry back to early Colonial days.

William Hale Reed was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, February 17, 1874. His education was begun in the public schools of his native city and he was graduated from Taunton High School in the class of 1891. Later entering Harvard University, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1895, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Reed associated himself with his father in the newspaper business, entering the office of the "Gazette" as a reporter, and in 1899 he became president of the new corporation, and managing editor of the paper. He has since filled these responsibilities without interruption, and since the death of his father in 1913, has been treasurer and managing editor.

Mr. Reed is a trustee of the Taunton Savings Bank and a director of the Morris Plan Bank. During the World War he served as a member of the Public Safety Committee, and was local director of the sale of War Savings stamps. For his service in this connection he received a certificate of recognition from the United States Government. Mr. Reed was in the public service many years ago as a member of the Common Council, under the old form of government from Ward Four, and also was an alderman from the same ward. He was a member of the school committee for seven years.

Mr. Reed is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is a director. His clubs are the Winthrop, the Segregansett Country, the Taunton Auto, and the Taunton Boat. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Reed married, October 9, 1903, at Taunton, Massachusetts, Emma Belle Robinson, of Acushnet, Massachusetts, daughter of Thomas J. and Sarah Eliza (Hall) Robinson. Mr. and Mrs. Reed are the parents of six children: William Robinson, born in 1904, a student at Phillips-Exeter Academy; Thomas Hale, born in 1906, a student at Taunton High School; Milton (2), born in 1907, a student at Taunton High School; Sarah, born in 1908, a student at Taunton High School; George Hall, born in 1915; and Edward Waldo, born in 1919.

**SETH LEONARD CUSHMAN**—In the world of finance in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Seth Leonard Cushman has for many years been a prominent figure, and his connection with the Bristol County National Bank has endured for fifty-four years. Mr. Cushman is one of the venerable and highly honored figures still active in business circles in Taunton, and his long experience and progressive ideals give his utterances on any business topic breadth of significance and usefulness to the younger generation today. Mr. Cushman is a direct descendant of Elder Thomas Cushman, who came to America in 1621, his wife, Mary (Allerton) Cushman, having come down in history as the last survivor of the original Mayflower Company, having lived to a great age. Horatio L. Cushman, Mr. Cushman's father, was born in Taunton, and died in 1894. He was a manufacturer of importance in the industrial world of this city, and in 1883 served in the highest local office in the gift of the people, that of mayor of Taunton.

Seth Leonard Cushman was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, August 13, 1849. His early education was received in the public schools, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1866. His first business experience was in the employ of the N. H. Skinner Company, in the capacity of bookkeeper, and he filled this position for a period of three years. He then formed the affiliation which endured for so many years, accepting the position of teller in the employ of the Bristol County National Bank. This was in 1869, and only twelve years later Mr. Cushman was made cashier of this institution. In 1887, when still only thirty-eight years of age, he was elected to the office of president of the Bristol County National Bank, which office he held continuously until 1916. He then became liquidating agent of this institution upon its absorption with the other financial interests of Taunton, which were merged under the title of the Bristol County Trust Company. In every branch of community advance Mr. Cushman has long been deeply interested. He has also served as secretary and treasurer of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery since the year 1879. For four years during his young manhood he was a member of Company G, National Guard, of the State of







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Massachusetts. Fraternally he is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he was secretary and master, and also served as district deputy grand master in 1898-99; member of St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Taunton; New Bedford Council, Royal and Select Masters; and St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island. He was formerly a member of several clubs, now resigned, but is a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society. His religious affiliation is with Broadway Congregational Church.

Mr. Cushman married, in 1871, Mary Frances Taylor, of Fall River, Massachusetts, daughter of Nicholas and Prudence Taylor. Mr. and Mrs. Cushman are the parents of one child: Elton Gray, a sketch of whom follows.

**ELTON GRAY CUSHMAN**—Although Mr. Cushman has a home in Pasadena, California, where his children are at school, and another at Barrington, Rhode Island, where the family spend the summer and early fall months, his legal residence is, and always has been, Taunton, Massachusetts. He is a successful lawyer and a world traveler, a man of learning and ability.

Elton Gray Cushman, only child of Seth Leonard Cushman (a sketch of whom precedes) and Mary Frances (Taylor) Cushman, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, December 25, 1879. He prepared in the public schools of Taunton, finishing with high school graduation in 1898; entered Harvard University, whence he was graduated, A.B., 1902; prepared for the legal profession at Harvard Law School, and received his LL.B. with the class of 1905. He at once began practice in Taunton, the city of his birth, and has won his way to a leading position among the members of the Bristol county bar. He has confined his energies to the practice of law and has few interests of a business nature outside his professional connection with the corporations which he serves.

At Harvard Mr. Cushman became a member of Kappa Gamma Chi and he has many club affiliations, being a member of the Winthrop and Segregansett clubs of Taunton; the Rhode Island Country Club of Barrington, Rhode Island; the Harvard clubs of Boston, Rhode Island, and Southern California; the University, Flintbridge Riding and Valley Hunt clubs of Pasadena, California, and others. He is a member of the Unitarian church of Pasadena, and a life member of the Old Colony Historical Society. He has traveled widely through Europe, and has visited Egypt and parts of Africa, as well as Syria and the Near East, and has also toured quite thoroughly the southern and western sections of his own country.

Mr. Cushman married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, June 6, 1906, Emily Frances Jenks, daughter of Stephen Arnold and Emily Frances (Burt) Jenks, her father a leading citizen of Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Cushman are the parents of two children: Margaret Frances, born April 23, 1912; Donald Jenks, born July 24, 1914.

**PHILEMON E. TRUESDALE, M.D.**—Rarely does the gift of administrative ability accompany to a noticeable degree large, professional skill, but in the activities of Dr. Philemon E. Truesdale, of Fall River, Massachusetts, are given to the community the attainments of a surgeon and the practical capacity for organization and construction which have mapped and built wide avenues of professional usefulness. Dr. Truesdale stands at the head of the Truesdale Hospital, of Fall River, which for some eighteen years has borne increasing significance to medical and surgical advance in the East. This institution found its inception in Dr. Truesdale's mind, came into being through his dauntless efforts, and has risen to wide prominence coincidentally with the spread of his reputation as one of the foremost surgeons in this section of New England.

The Truesdale family has been on this side of the Atlantic for several generations, and while in 1880 the family came from Canada, where the doctor himself was born, the founder of the line in the New World came to Massachusetts. The family is of Scotch-Irish origin, with French antecedents in the line of the maternal grandparents. Dr. Truesdale's paternal grandparents came from Scotland to Canada in the early part of the nineteenth century, the grandmother, a daughter of Philemon Dugar, whose father came to Massachusetts from Nantes, France, during the old French and Indian War. Philemon Dugar's wife, whom he married in 1805, was Martha Edwards, of Southbridge, Massachusetts, and a member of one of the notable Colonial families of New England. Philemon Dugar later became a figure of considerable prominence in the Canadian government as a member of Parliament, and was granted an extensive tract of land on the Rouge river, and on that estate the Truesdale and Dugar families were united. Sons and grandsons were born, and there three generations were successively engaged in lumbering activities, clearing off the virgin forests and converting the logs into such form as the market demanded. Philemon Truesdale, grandson of the founder, and father of Dr. Truesdale, came to the United States in the prime of his young manhood and settled in Fall River, Massachusetts, where he engaged in the paper business. He continued however, to make periodical trips to Canada to look after his interests there, for he retained his share in the ancestral lands until his death. He married, in Canada, Elizabeth Burns Keough, and after many years of residence in Fall River, they removed to Boston, where both died.

Philemon E. Truesdale, son of Philemon and Elizabeth B. (Keough) Truesdale, was born at the family homestead in Canada, August 12, 1874, the change of residence to Fall River being made when he was about five years of age. His education, begun in the grammar schools of the city, was continued in the higher grades and he is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1894. His medical education was pursued at Harvard University Medical School, whence he was graduated class of 1898. For about eighteen months

thereafter Dr. Truesdale served as house officer of the Boston City Hospital, then for about six months he filled a similar position at the Lying-In Hospital, of Boston. With this comprehensive institutional training and experience Dr. Truesdale came to Fall River in 1900 as a practicing physician. For about five years he went forward along general lines of practice. He was deeply interested in surgery, however, and his achievements in that field were noteworthy even in those early years. In 1902 he performed the operation of Caesarean Section for an unusual but exceedingly hazardous complication of child birth, saving both mother and child. An account of this case was presented later before the Boston Obstetrical Society as the first of its kind to be reported in New England. His articles appearing in surgical literature have been numerous and his contributions to surgical knowledge have received recognition by scientific societies and journals of surgery. Always a student of conditions and affairs, Dr. Truesdale saw the great need of better hospitals in Bristol county, especially institutions where a high order of surgical skill would be available to deal successfully with emergencies of a major character. In 1905 he founded the present hospital under the name of the Truesdale Private Hospital, Incorporated. At the beginning he installed fifteen beds under the supervision of Miss Mary K. Nelson, with a staff of graduate nurses possessing exceptionally high standards. The success of the institution soon compelled him to increase the available facilities, and after a very few years the original building was entirely inadequate for the necessary expansion. In 1909 Dr. Truesdale began the erection of the present beautiful and spacious structure, one of the most modern and perfectly equipped of the hospitals of New England. Simple and dignified in exterior design, standing in spacious grounds with a fine river view, this institution, now representing a valuation of approximately \$450,000, is an ornament to the community when considered only as an excellent example of modern architecture. Its significance as an institution for the care of suffering mankind, with one hundred rooms for the accommodation of patients, the most complete and approved equipment obtainable, and dependable skill, both medical and surgical always at command,—this is indeed a house of mercy and a gateway of hope for afflicted humanity.

In 1914 Dr. Truesdale organized a clinic for "group practice," a system the purpose of which was to promote intimate cooperation of specialists in the diagnosis and treatment of disease. He purchased the property of Orlando Hart, at No. 151 Rock street, Fall River, and erected thereon a new building especially designed for group practice. With office suites, waiting rooms, library, X-ray and chemical laboratories, the building was well adapted for the reception of patients and the most thorough study of their complaints. This organization, known as The Truesdale Clinic, Inc., has been in active service for nearly a decade. Its progressive development has served as an index of

its usefulness and a credit to the intrepid faith of its founder.

Not only in Fall River but throughout a wide surrounding region the Truesdale Hospital is held in the highest esteem. Physicians from many other localities in this part of the State recommend patients, especially surgical cases, to seek admittance to this institution, and Dr. Truesdale's success, both as a surgeon and as the head of this hospital and clinic, places him among the most noteworthy professional men of the day in Southeastern Massachusetts. He is a member of the American Surgical Association, the American Medical Association, the American Gastro-Enterological Society, the New England Surgical Association, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, and the Fall River Medical Society. Dr. Truesdale was one of the founders of the American College of Surgeons, organized at Washington, District of Columbia, in 1913. He has few affiliations not closely related to his work; is a member of the Harvard Club, of Boston; the Quequechan Club, of Fall River; and the Acoaxet Club, of Westport, Massachusetts.

During the war with Germany, 1917-1918, Dr. Truesdale volunteered his services in the Medical Corps and sailed for France with The Yale Mobile Hospital Unit, in August, 1917, as surgeon, with the rank of captain. After a period of association with the French Service de Sante, he returned to the Yale group and acted in the capacity of director of surgery at Mobile Hospital No. 39. In October, 1918, he was promoted to the rank of major and to the command of Mobile Hospital No. 13. The signing of the armistice, November 11, 1918, prevented the further active participation of this unit at the front, and after an absence of eighteen months, Major Truesdale returned to the United States. He was assigned to duty at Camp Devens as director of surgery, succeeding Major Homer Gage, of Worcester. Dr. Truesdale was honorably discharged from the service, March 15, 1919.

Dr. Truesdale married, in 1911, Minna Dickenson, of Rockland, Maine, and they are the parents of six children: Elizabeth, Elinor, Lilian, Robert, Mary, and Philemon, Jr.

**HON. WILLIAM A. BELLAMY**—Few names have attained higher significance in the public life of Bristol county, and, indeed, in the affairs of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, than that of the Hon. William A. Bellamy, who served for three successive years in the House of Representatives of the State and for two subsequent years in the Massachusetts Senate. That Mr. Bellamy has achieved so high a position in professional circles and in the public life of the day is the more noteworthy in consideration of the fact that he has risen by his own effort without aid or influence. An able lawyer and progressive citizen, he became an efficient and fair-minded legislator, and both in his private practice and in the service of the people he has demonstrated those qualities of mind which count for steady advance and perma-



nent well-being. A native of England, Mr. Bellamy came to this country with his parents as a child and was reared in American traditions and educated in American institutions. He is a son of William and Mary (Antcliffe) Bellamy, both natives of England, the father a silversmith by trade.

William A. Bellamy was born at Sheffield, England, September 16, 1879. His early education was acquired in the public schools of Taunton, Massachusetts, and as a young man he was employed in the silver works of the Reed & Barton Company at Taunton for eleven years and also was identified with the Watson & Newell Company of Attleboro for a period of eighteen months. Meanwhile, however, Mr. Bellamy never relinquished his ambitions to enter professional life, and from time to time, as he was able during the earlier years of his industrial activity, he devoted his leisure time to study. With the work of the usual preparatory courses covered, he eventually entered the popular Northeastern University Evening Law School, from which he was graduated in June, 1910. Admitted to the bar shortly afterward, Mr. Bellamy realized the end for which he had striven so long, opening his offices in the Taylor block, in Taunton, and taking up the practice of law. It is only a matter of natural sequence that the perseverance which carried the young man over all obstacles and hindrances should in the eventuality lift him to high levels of achievement. His professional career was successful from the beginning, and as a leading lawyer of Bristol county, he now handles a very extensive and lucrative practice, principally along general lines. After five years of activity in his original location, he removed to his present offices at No. 46 Taunton Green in 1915 and in this more desirable location has taken rank with the foremost legal lights of the day. A member of the Taunton Bar Association from the time of his entering practice, Mr. Bellamy was elected president of that body in the year 1919 and still serves in that honored and responsible office.

Even before Mr. Bellamy entered upon his professional career he was brought forward in the public life of the city of Taunton as a member of the City Council. Elected to this body in 1906, he served for two years, and in the following year was made a member of the Sewer Commission, upon which he also served for two years. In 1910, Mr. Bellamy entered upon the duties of a legislator by the vote of the people of his home city, and his record during that year was such that he was reelected to the House for two subsequent years, and in 1913 went to the higher legislative body of the State as Senator from the First Bristol Senatorial District. During his activities as a legislator, Mr. Bellamy served on some of the more important committees, including the Committee on Harbors and Public Lands, of which he was chairman; the Committee on Banks and Banking, chairman of this committee; the Committee on State House and Library, chairman of this committee; and the Committee on Education. At the time of the Lawrence strike he served as clerk of the special com-

mittee for the legislation in regard to the settlement of disturbance and was also a member of the Committee on Cities.

Devoting to his public labors the same qualities of energy and far-sighted judgment that had won him his position in the professional world, Mr. Bellamy's usefulness was no mere matter of the moment, but rather contributed to the permanent progress and welfare of the people of this State. He did much, not only for his own locality, but for the general advance throughout the Commonwealth. Mr. Bellamy served for a number of years as a member of Company D, 14th Infantry Regiment, Massachusetts State Guard, with the rank of sergeant. He is deeply interested in all local advance, and serves as a trustee of the Bristol County Law Library. Fraternally he is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Good Samaritan Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past noble grand; Taunton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Taunton Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose; the American Order of Foresters; the Knights of Malta; and the Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Bristol, and he attends the Congregational church.

Mr. Bellamy married, in 1910, Lena Moxon, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of John J. and Harriett (Chandler) Moxon. Mr. and Mrs. Bellamy are the parents of two children: Enid V., born March 31, 1913; and William A., Jr., born June 21, 1918.

**WILLIAM RAYMOND PEPLER**—In the weaving of marquissette curtains, the Fabric Weaving Company, of Taunton, Massachusetts, holds a leading position not only in this section but in the United States, and William Raymond Pepler, as president of the corporation, is one of the widely known executives in the textile industry in Bristol county, Massachusetts. Mr. Pepler has been identified with the textile industry since completing his education and in a comparatively few years has risen to his present important position. He is a son of William S. Pepler, who was born in Milford, Massachusetts, and has also been identified with the textile industry during his entire career, now acting as general manager of the United States Worsted Mills Corporation of New England. The mother, Minnie (Spier) Pepler, was born in Providence, Rhode Island, and is also still living.

William Raymond Pepler was born in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, February 25, 1898. His education was begun in the public schools of Webster, Massachusetts, where the family removed in his boyhood, and a second removal placed him in the Taunton High School, from which he was graduated in 1916. Interested from boyhood in the textile industry, he then entered the Lowell Textile School, leaving after one year to enter the service, in 1917, during the World War. With this preparation for a career in one of the oldest industries of the world, which indeed dates back beyond the dawn of history, Mr. Pepler, upon his return from

service, began his career in the employ of the Danielson Cloth Company, of Danielson, Connecticut, as assistant superintendent, and upon his resignation from that position, was connected with a Danielson dye house for about six months, in the capacity of manager. On December 17, 1919, the Fabric Weaving Company, of Taunton, Massachusetts, was founded and incorporated, Mr. Pepler becoming president of the organization. With a plant at No. 13 Porter street, they occupy three buildings, aggregating about 20,000 square feet of floor space, and employing about fifty people. They manufacture, exclusively, marquissette curtains, and are one of the twelve concerns in the United States engaged in this special branch of industry. No other concern in this part of the country produces these goods. As president of this concern, Mr. Pepler holds a prominent position in the manufacturing world of Bristol county, and he is looked upon as one of the coming men of Taunton. During the World War he served in the United States Marine Corps and was active in France for several months. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is also a member of the Bristol Club. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church.

**ADAM W. GIFFORD**—Giffords trace in New England to the early decades of the English occupation; in England to the coming of the Conqueror; and in Normandy to the eighth century. A Gifford who came to England in 1066 in the train of the Conqueror attracted his favorable notice and was rewarded with lands in Somersetshire and in Cheshire. Giffords came to the Virginia colony in 1626, and to New England perhaps a score of years later. The founder of the Fall River family was William Gifford, of record in 1647 at Stamford, Connecticut, and at Plymouth, Massachusetts, in 1650. Banking has been a business in which members of the family have won notable success, and this review will deal with the career of one of these, Adam W. Gifford, treasurer of the Union Savings Bank, of Fall River. He is a son of Adam J. and Annie (Gray) Gifford, he born in Westport, Bristol county, Massachusetts, she born at Fall River. Adam J. Gifford was for many years well known in the business life of Fall River, where he was engaged in the crockery business, and died in 1919, his widow yet surviving him.

Adam W. Gifford was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, October 25, 1872. He was educated in Fall River public schools and under the instruction of private teachers, completing his schooling at the age of twenty, and the same year entering business life as an employee of the Union Savings Bank of Fall River. That was more than three decades ago and the association has never been broken. During that period he has passed from the junior clerkship he first filled through the various grades and ranks that have prevailed in that institution, and filled each one so well that he was always in line for further responsibility.

Mr. Gifford came to his present important post,

treasurer of the Union Savings Bank, in 1907, and has during the years which have since passed been vitally concerned in the policy and conduct of the institution to which he has given his youth and the strength of his manhood. He holds high rank among the financiers of his city and his own institution reflects the strength of its management. He has been a selectman of the Town of Somerset, Bristol county, Massachusetts, in which he resides, and for ten years has served on that board. He has also served as a member of the Board of Health, and as an overseer of the poor. He is an interested member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce.

In the Masonic order Mr. Gifford is affiliated with Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somerset, Massachusetts; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and with the various bodies of Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Fall River Lodge of Perfection, St. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem, St. Andrew's Chapter of Rose Croix, and the Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a Noble of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Azab Grotto, of Fall River, of which he is treasurer; Elysean Lodge, No. 73, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Somerset; and the Lions Club, of Fall River, which he serves as treasurer.

Mr. Gifford married (first) in 1892, Margaret McKay, of Fall River, who died in 1898, leaving two children: Adam W. (2), now (1923) teller of the Union Savings Bank of Fall River; and Sadie R., who married Mr. Connor, of Somerville, Massachusetts. Mr. Gifford married (second) in 1900, Margaret Davis, of Fall River.

**MARCUS ARNOLD RHODES**—The third generation to stand at the head of one of the important manufacturing industries of Taunton, Massachusetts, Marcus Arnold Rhodes is numbered among the enterprising and progressive business executives of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and his activities are contributing in a marked degree to the general welfare of the people. A practical man and an able executive, Mr. Rhodes has been identified with the present enterprise for the past fifteen years, and in carrying forward its activities, is honoring the memory of his father and grandfather to whose energies it owes its existence. He is a son of George Holbrook Rhodes, who was born in Taunton, and died in 1916, having made the above enterprise his life-work. The mother, Louisa L. (Bassett) Rhodes, was also a native of Taunton, and died in 1902.

Marcus Arnold Rhodes was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, July 17, 1881. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from the Taunton High School, in the class of 1899. Entering Amherst College, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1903, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He completed his education at Harvard University, from which he was graduated in the class of 1905, receiv-



ing the degree of Master of Arts. Mr. Rhodes began his career as an educator, teaching at Deerfield Academy for a period of three years. He then became identified with the firm of M. M. Rhodes & Son Company, of Taunton, and has risen in this organization to his present position as treasurer of the concern and the principal owner of the business. This enterprise was founded by Marcus M. Rhodes about seventy years ago for the manufacture of lining nails, coffin tacks and upholsterers' buttons. In 1870 the founder received into partnership his two sons, Charles M. and George H. Rhodes, and the development of the business was marked from that time forward. About 1872 they began the manufacture of shoe buttons, and with the passing of the years various changes have been made until now the product of the plant comprises shoe laces and upholstery buttons, and they also do a large business in the enameling of hooks for men's shoes. The plant is located at No. 12 Porter street, and comprises eight buildings, with a total of 20,000 square feet of floor space. They employ about sixty people, and are the oldest and probably the largest concern in their field in this section, particularly in the manufacture of upholstery buttons. Mr. Rhodes is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with the world of finance as a director of the Machinists' National Bank, and a trustee of the Taunton Savings Bank. Deeply interested in every avenue of community advance, Mr. Rhodes has served as a member of the Taunton School Committee for ten years, but has otherwise consistently declined the honors and responsibilities of public office. During the World War he served as a "four-minute" speaker and did much for the Liberty Loan drives, his ceaseless efforts bearing such fruit that he received from the United States Government a certificate of appreciation of services rendered.

Fraternally Mr. Rhodes is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; and his clubs are the Winthrop and the Segregansett Country. He is also a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society, of which he is a director. His religious affiliation is with the Trinitarian Church.

Mr. Rhodes married, in 1908, Ruth Lincoln Bangs, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, daughter of Frank Williams and Almira (Tisdale) Bangs. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes are the parents of four children: Louisa Bassett, born in 1910; Stephen Holbrook, born in 1911; Rowena Lincoln, born in 1914; and Marcus A., Jr., born in 1917.

**GEORGE WILLARD BLOOD, M.D.**—A leading figure in surgical advance in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Dr. George Willard Blood, who within the past fifteen years has won a noteworthy position in his profession, and has become an authority along special lines. Active in institutional work, as well as in his private practice, Dr. Blood keeps in touch with professional progress at all times, and is doing much for the constant elevation

of local standards in the profession. Dr. Blood is a son of George H. Blood, who was born at Hollis, New Hampshire, and was a prominent farmer of that section, esteemed by all who knew him. The mother, Myra E. (Willard) Blood, was born at Littleton, Massachusetts, and both are now deceased.

George Willard Blood was born at Hollis, New Hampshire, February 19, 1887. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and he was graduated from the local high school in the class of 1904. Thereafter entering the medical department of Tufts College in Boston, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1908 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Coming directly to Fall River, Dr. Blood served an internship of two years at St. Anne's Hospital, and in 1910 engaged in private practice. For a time he went forward along general lines, but he became interested in his present specialty and took up post graduate study along this line at Harvard University Medical School. He later continued special study and research along this same line at Mayo's Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, and at various times during the past ten years has returned to that clinic to keep in close touch with the constant advance in that special field. Dr. Blood has now for some years devoted his attention wholly to surgical work, and is considered one of the best known surgeons in southeastern Massachusetts today. He is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, and the Fall River Medical Society, and serves on the surgical staff of both St. Anne's and Fall River City hospitals, having been connected with these institutions for the past ten years.

Dr. Blood married, June 3, 1918, Florence Rayworth of Nova Scotia. Dr. and Mrs. Blood are the parents of two children: Madeline, and Dorothy. Dr. Blood is a member of the Congregational church, but attends, with his wife, the Methodist Episcopal church, to which Mrs. Blood belongs.

**BRENTON G. BROWNELL**—As the director and part owner of one of the oldest and most important dry goods stores in Taunton, Massachusetts, Brenton G. Brownell is a noteworthy figure in the commercial life of this city. He is a son of Henry G. and Helen B. (Hoard) Brownell, and his father died in 1916, but the mother is still living.

Brenton G. Brownell was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, October 22, 1883. His education was begun in the local schools, and he had the advantage of a course at St. George's School at Newport, Rhode Island, where his preparatory studies were covered. He then entered Harvard University, class of 1906. Following his college course, he became associated with his father in the dry goods business. This store, which for many years has been known under the name of the founder, N. H. Skinner, was founded in 1884 by Mr. Skinner and was first incorporated in 1897. In 1916 the death

of Henry G. Brownell left the enterprise in the hands of his sons and another associate: B. G. Brownell; L. E. Brownell; and Charles L. Coombs. These progressive men are still associated as the N. H. Skinner Company and this store ranks with some of the leading stores of Boston and Providence in its progressive policies and thoroughly desirable stock. Brenton G. Brownell, as vice-president of the corporation, holds a leading position in the business world of Taunton and is identified with financial advance as a director of the Bristol County Trust Company and the Taunton Morris Plan Bank. He has few interests outside of those which align with his business, but in political affairs supports the Republican party, although never as a leader in public advance. He is a member of the Winthrop Club of Taunton, the Segreganett Country Club, and the Harvard Club of Boston; and is a member of the Episcopal church.

Mr. Brownell married, at Richford, Vermont, in April, 1920, Mary Manuel, daughter of George C. and Laura (Miller) Manuel, her father a prominent real estate broker, and both parents are still living. Mr. and Mrs. Brownell are the parents of two children: Dorothea, born in December, 1921; and Henry G. (2), born in March, 1923.

**HERBERT E. PIERCE**—A prominent figure in professional circles in Taunton, Massachusetts, is Herbert E. Pierce, who has been active as an optometrist for the past eight years in this city, and is winning marked success. A young man of progressive spirit, well trained for this professional work and always in touch with the latest advance in any field relevant to it, Mr. Pierce deserves the success which has attended his efforts, and now stands among the really prominent men of the day in Bristol county. He is a son of Leonard A. Pierce, who was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, a stone mason by occupation, and one of the substantial citizens of this community. The mother, Alida T. (Stetson) Pierce, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, and is also still living.

Herbert E. Pierce was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 16, 1887. His education was begun in the public schools of this city and after completing the course at the Taunton High School, he studied the die-making trade in the town of Attleboro until 1912, when he entered the Massachusetts College of Optometry, from which he was graduated in the class of 1915. Beginning the practice of his chosen profession at once in his native city of Taunton, Mr. Pierce has won his success among those who have always known him, commanding a dignified position in the business life of the city and achieving a gratifying measure of success. He was first located at No. 59 Main street, where he remained for five years, then removed to his present location in the Taylor building, on Taunton Green. With handsome and modern offices and the most approved equipment, Mr. Pierce is taking care of the needs of the public in the matters of the fitting of glasses, the grinding of lenses, and the distribution of optical goods of various kinds.

Feeling a deep interest in all that pertains to the general welfare, Mr. Pierce takes a constructive part in every forward movement, and during the World War he served as a member of the 9th Company, 11th Regiment, State Guard, of Massachusetts. Fraternally Mr. Pierce is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and the Order of the Eastern Star. He is further affiliated with Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and also a member and treasurer of the Bristol Club; and a member of the Massachusetts Society of Optometrists and the American Optometric Association. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Pierce married, on May 10, 1916, Petrea C. Thomasen, a native of Massachusetts, and a daughter of Neils and Katherine Thomasen. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce are the parents of two children: Everett N., who was born in 1917; and Leonard A., who was born in 1920.

**CLINTON V. SANDERS**—In the lumber business in Taunton, Massachusetts, a leading commercial organization is the Sanders Lumber Company, Inc., of which Clinton V. Sanders is president and general manager. Mr. Sanders has been active in the lumber business since the completion of his education, and with his long experience, added to his natural business ability, he is carrying this enterprise to a very high position in its field.

Mr. Sanders is a son of George B. Sanders, who was born February 3, 1825, at North Easton, Massachusetts, and died March 13, 1889. He was a grocer by occupation and one of the successful men of Taunton for many years. The mother, Betsy H. (Williams) Sanders, who was born in Taunton, and is a member of a very old family of this city, died in 1915.

Clinton V. Sanders was born at Raynham, Bristol county, Massachusetts, January 14, 1858. His education was begun in the public schools of Taunton, and after completing the high school course, he made practical preparations for his business career at the Warner Commercial School at Providence, Rhode Island. For about six years after completing his studies, Mr. Sanders was identified with the freight office in Taunton, after which he entered the employ of a Mr. Newcomb, in the lumber business. The death of Mr. Newcomb occurring only two years later, Mr. Sanders continued the business, receiving as a partner Charles H. Buffington, and they carried the business forward for about twelve years under the firm name of Sanders & Buffington. The form of the name was then changed to C. V. Sanders & Company, in which form it was continued until 1915, when the organization was incorporated. Since that time, under the title of the Sanders Lumber Company, Inc., the enterprise has taken great strides





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forward and is now a leader in its field. With main plant and offices at No. 68 Weir street, this company buys and sells lumber, sash-doors, blinds and hardware. They occupy approximately 150,000 square feet of floor space in several buildings designed for their special use, and with a double track railway siding, 600 feet in length, they are equipped to handle rapidly and efficiently large quantities of goods in their line. Employing about twenty hands, they are counted one of the largest lumber concerns in this part of Bristol county. Mr. Sanders, as head of this long prominent concern, is widely esteemed as a business man and as a citizen, and is otherwise affiliated as a director of the Morris Plan Bank of Taunton, the Bristol County Savings Bank, and has been president of the City Investment Trust Company since its establishment. His clubs are the Rotary Club, the Taunton Yacht, of which he is commodore, and the Fall River Yacht Club. He is a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. His religious affiliation is with the Universalist church.

Mr. Sanders married, in 1883, Ida M. Kendall, of Taunton, who is a daughter of Oliver and Sarah (Blood) Kendall.

**HON. FREDERICK E. GOFF**—Allied with the stove industry in the production of stove linings, Hon. Frederick E. Goff is holding large executive responsibility as treasurer and agent of the Presbrey Stove Lining Company, one of the oldest and most important industries of Taunton, Massachusetts. A native of this city, and educated in the local institutions, Mr. Goff has spent his lifetime in the interests of this same concern, rising from the desk of bookkeeper to his present important position. Mr. Goff is a descendant of Squire Goff, of Rehoboth, a pioneer settler of that place in Colonial days. Edgar S. Goff, his father, was born in Taunton, and died in 1907, having spent a long and useful life as a stove molder. The mother, Ida M. (Bruce) Goff, still survives her husband, and resides in Taunton.

Hon. Frederick E. Goff was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, October 17, 1873. Gaining a practical foundation for his career in the public and high schools of the city, he entered the employ of the Presbrey Stove Lining Company upon the completion of his studies. Filling the responsibilities of bookkeeper for a number of years, he was later made assistant treasurer, and upon the death of the treasurer, Bartlett C. Peirce, who had served in this office for a period of fifty-five years, Mr. Goff succeeded him. He also fills the office of agent of this concern, and his activities are contributing in a marked degree to the progress of the enterprise. Mr. Goff's further affiliations are with the world of finance, in which he is prominent as vice-president of the Taunton Co-operative Bank. He is a member of the Republican City Committee, and is a leader in the Republican party, although the demands of his business affairs have precluded great activity of an official nature in political matters.

He was a member of the Republican State Central Committee, and was elected as presidential elector in the campaign of Charles E. Hughes. He is a member of the Taunton Yacht Club, of which he is the treasurer, and his religious affiliation is with the Broadway Congregational Church, of which he is on the standing committee.

Mr. Goff married, in 1896, Harriet L. Robinson, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Nathan G. and Jane E. (Dalglish) Robinson.

**JOSEPH KNOWLES MILLIKEN**—Few names have won greater prominence in the city of Taunton than that of Joseph Knowles Milliken, who is one of the leading executives of the finishing industry in this city. With excellent preparation for his career and wide experience in the general field in which he is now engaged, Mr. Milliken has built his success upon practical and enduring foundations, and exemplifies the value of consistent effort and tireless energy in any field of industrial activity. He is a son of Charles Dodge Milliken, who was born in Farmington, Maine, and was, throughout his lifetime active as a dry goods merchant, during the greater part of his career in New Bedford, Massachusetts. He died in 1916. The mother, Helen Doane (Knowles) Milliken, was born in New Bedford and still survives her husband.

Joseph Knowles Milliken was born at Salem, Massachusetts, July 5, 1875. The family becoming residents of New Bedford in his childhood, he was educated in a private school in that city, and he prepared for college at the Friends Academy at New Bedford. He is a graduate of Harvard University, class of 1896, and received from this institution the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. Milliken entered upon his career with the Dunnell Manufacturing Company of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, in the capacity of clerk and purchasing agent. Continuing with this concern until the year 1899, he then became associated with the Hathaway Manufacturing Company of New Bedford, Massachusetts, but in 1901 he severed his connection with this concern to become affiliated with the Mt. Hope Finishing Company as treasurer and general manager. Successfully filling this responsible position from that time, although taking it up when still a young man, he has been continuously active in this connection since, and the large importance of this concern is principally due to his excellent judgment and progressive activity. The Mt. Hope Finishing Company is one of the old established and really important establishments of Taunton, and a complete history of the company appears in the industrial chapters of this work under a special heading. Joseph Knowles Milliken, as a leading executive and the active manager of this concern, is broadly prominent in the trade, and is also connected with local financial advance and with other business organizations and enterprises. His affiliations include the vice-presidency of the National Association of Finishers and the Associated Industries of Massachusetts. He is a director of the Machinist Bank of Taunton, the Massachusetts Life Insurance Com-

pany of Springfield, Massachusetts, and the Fall River Manufacturing Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He has been a trustee of the Bristol County Agricultural School since its foundation and is deeply interested in agricultural advance. His fraternal connections include Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. His clubs are the Harvard Club of Taunton, the University Club of Providence, Rhode Island, Wamsutta Club of New Bedford, and the Winthrop Club of Taunton. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Milliken married, in 1903, Carrie E. Dodds, of Champlain, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Milliken are the parents of four children: Robert D., a student at Harvard, class of 1925; Helen D., a student at Miss Wheeler's School at Providence, Rhode Island; Joseph K., Jr., a student at the Moses Brown School at Providence, Rhode Island; and Ruth K., a student at Miss Wheeler's School at Providence, Rhode Island.

**CHARLES MILTON SHOVE**—Both Charles O. Shove and his son, Charles M. Shove, were born at Fall River, Massachusetts, and to their energy, enterprise and ability the Granite Mills of that city owe their existence. Charles O. Shove gave to that corporation the strength of his best years; it was his pride, and it reached a period of great prosperity through his wise, judicious management, and it is an enduring monument to his memory. Nearly half a century ago he laid down the reins of financial management of the corporation which he founded with Lazarus Borden in 1863, to be succeeded by his son, Charles M. Shove, who came to the office of treasurer of the Granite Mills. September 1, 1875, the mills then operating 78,000 spindles. During the forty-eight years which have since elapsed prosperity has attended the corporation and now the mills operate 3,000 looms and 122,000 spindles. The memorial adopted by the directors of Granite Mills upon the death of Charles O. Shove in 1875 recites in one section:

As a citizen he was interested in all that pertained to the welfare of this city, and encouraged by his counsel and influence a faithful administration of its affairs and a wise expenditure of money for public improvements. He was largely identified with other business interests of Fall River, and the advice and suggestions which his long experience and his ability so well qualified him to give and make were sought and received with respect and attention; but it is with this corporation that his name will be most intimately connected.

To the present representative of the family and the treasurer of the same company the same sentiments may be expressed, and to both men Fall River in general, and the Granite Mills in particular, owe an everlasting debt of gratitude.

Charles M. Shove is a descendant of Mrs. Margery Shove, a widow, whom a note in the record states was "the mother of Mr. George Shove." She came from England to New England with her son George and joined the church at Boston, Massachusetts, December 30, 1638, but was subsequently of Rowley, and still later of Roxbury. She married (second) in 1654, Richard Peacock, and died in Taunton, Massachusetts, April 17, 1680. The

line from Mrs. Margery Shove to Charles M. Shove of Fall River is traced through her son, Rev. George Shove, the third minister of Taunton, ordained November 17, 1665. Little is known of his ministerial life except that he "preached acceptably" and "taught the Taunton School"; "that no rumor or strife or discord in connection with him comes down to us". But it is known that he possessed considerable wealth in the form of real estate, being one of the six original proprietors of Assonet Neck, when that purchase was made in 1680.

Rev. George Shove married (first) Hopesstill Newman, who died March 7, 1673, daughter of Rev. Samuel Newman, of Rehoboth. He married (second) February 17, 1674, Mrs. Hannah Whalley, who died in September, 1685. He married (third), December 3, 1686, Mrs. Sarah Farwell. He died April 21, 1687. His mother, Mrs. Margery (Shove) Peacock, was buried in Taunton in 1680. The line of descent to Charles M. Shove is thus traced: (I) Rev. George Shove and his second wife, Mrs. Hannah Whalley; (II) their son, Edward Shove, of Taunton and Dighton, and his wife, Lydia Witherald; (III) their son, Theophilus Shove, a minister of the Society of Friends and his wife, Philadelphia Osborn; (IV) their son, Theophilus (2) Shove, of Somerset, and his wife, Lydia Purinton; (V) their son, Clarke Shove, of Swansea and Fall River, and his wife, Elizabeth Slade; (VI) their son, Charles O. Shove, of Fall River, and his wife, Rachel E. Haines; (VII) their son, Charles Milton Shove, whose name furnishes the caption of this review.

With Clarke Shove, of the fifth generation, Fall River became the family home in this branch, he being one of the incorporators of the Fall River Bank.

Charles O. Shove, of the sixth American generation, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, November 20, 1823, and died at his home on Highland avenue, in the city of his birth, July 28, 1875. He began cotton manufacturing in partnership with Joseph C. Anthony, then became a stockholder and a director in the Union Mills, finally, in 1863, with Lazarus Borden, incorporating the Granite Mills, a corporation of which he was agent and treasurer until his death twelve years later. He was also president of the corporation for which he had drawn plans for a mill which was built about the time of his death and named in his honor, The Shove Mills. He was a trustee and member of the board of investment of the Five Cent Savings Bank; director of the Fall River National Bank; an alderman at one time representing the Seventh Ward of his city, and in religious faith was a Baptist.

Mr. Shove married, in 1849, Rachel E. Haines, of Lockport, New York, daughter of Jesse P. Haines. Mr. and Mrs. Shove were the parents of six children: Ellen M., Charles M., of further mention; Sarah; Alice; Mary; and Edward, a cotton manufacturer and broker, born December 13, 1864, died July 27, 1909.

Charles M. Shove, eldest son and second child of Charles O. and Rachel E. (Haines) Shove, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, July 15, 1853,







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and there yet resides, one of the oldest mill treasurers of his city in point of years of actual service. His education, begun in the public schools, was continued for two years in Massachusetts Institute of Technology, after which, in 1872, at the age of nineteen, he entered business life as a clerk in the office of the Granite Mills, founded by his father in 1863. Upon the death of Charles O. Shove his son, Charles M. Shove, was elected treasurer of the corporation, the Granite Mills, an office which he has held for forty-eight years, dating from September 1, 1875. He is also a director of the Bourne Mills; a director of the Massasoit National Bank and its successor, the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank, since 1876, and now its president; director of the Manufacturers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Fall River, and has other interests of scarcely less importance.

In politics Mr. Shove is a Republican, but while keenly alive to his responsibilities as a citizen, has steadfastly declined public office. He is a charter member of the Quequechan Club, and a member of other organizations of the city, and is highly regarded by his contemporaries of the business world in which he moves.

Charles M. Shove married (first) in 1880, Annie H. Stickney, daughter of Charles P. Stickney. He married (second) in 1893, Laura Gross; and (third) Mrs. Lucy G. (Hayes) Booth, of New Bedford, Massachusetts. Children: Margaret; Helen, who married Robert R. Borden, and Eleanor, who married Richard Osborn.

**WALTER FRANK SHOVE**—In Fall River, Massachusetts, a city famous in the textile history as the greatest of all Massachusetts cities in certain lines of manufacture, Mr. Shove is perhaps best known as treasurer of the Pocasset Manufacturing Company, a place of responsibility he has now acceptably and efficiently filled for more than three decades. But that is but one of the responsibilities he carries, his interests being wide and varied. He is a native son of Fall River, and his years, sixty-five, have all been spent in the city of his birth, that city affording him education, business opportunity and business prominence. Mr. Shove is of the seventh generation of the family founded in New England by Rev. George Shove (see preceding sketch of Charles M. Shove for ancestry).

Benjamin Slade Shove, son of Clarke Shove, of the fifth generation, was born October 25, 1826, and died April 12, 1867. In early life he was a mariner, and in 1849 joined the "gold-seekers," and in California bought a half-interest in a coasting vessel. His mother died in 1855, and he then closed out his interests in California and returned to Fall River, where he was engaged as a rigger, but at the time of his early death, at the age of forty-one, he had just entered into a partnership with his brother, Clarke Shove, to engage in the coal business in Fall River. He married Annie F. Coolidge, who was born in Weymouth, Massachusetts, July 12, 1835, and died in Fall River. They were the parents of three children: Walter

Frank, of further mention; Benjamin Clarke, of Fall River; and Annie Borden, who married William Hampton, of Fall River.

Walter Frank Shove, eldest son of Benjamin Slade and Annie F. (Coolidge) Shove, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 12, 1858, and was educated in the public schools of his city. He was nine years of age when his father died, and at the age of sixteen he left high school, and in May, 1874, began the duties of clerk in the Fall River post office, that being his first position. He continued under Postmaster Shaw and his successor, Chester Green, until July, 1880, then for eighteen months was second clerk in the Union Mill. At the end of that period he was promoted to the position of bookkeeper, a position he retained for nine and one-half years. In April, 1891, he was elected treasurer of the Pocasset Manufacturing Company, a position he is yet holding (May, 1923). When Mr. Shove succeeded Bradford D. Davol as treasurer, the Pocasset Mill was operating 60,000 spindles; in 1912, 120,000; and at the present time 123,000 spindles. In 1894 Mr. Shove was elected treasurer of the Metacomet and Anawan Mills, holding until their sale to the Iron Works Company. He was elected treasurer of the Fall River Manufactory in 1900, that company later being purchased by the Pocasset Manufacturing Company. He was formerly treasurer of the Windham Manufacturing Company, of Willimantic, Connecticut, and in February, 1905, became treasurer of the Wampanoag Mills, holding until 1915, when he was elected president. His official positions now are: Treasurer of the Pocasset Manufacturing Company; president of the Wampanoag Mills; and treasurer of the Arctic Ice and Cold Storage Company, all of Fall River, but he has other interests of importance. He is one of the strong men of the Fall River business community, and has been a factor in the manufacturing life of the city of his birth and life-time residence. He was from 1918 to 1920 president of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers; and is a member of the executive committee and a former president of the Fall River Cotton Manufacturing Association. He is affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar, of which he is a past eminent commander; also a member of the Massachusetts Consistory (thirty-second degree). In politics Mr. Shove is classified as an Independent.

Mr. Shove married, September 5, 1883, Clara L. Ackley, daughter of Almerin L. and Elizabeth (Holman) Ackley.

**FRANK L. CARPENTER**—As treasurer of the Davis Mills, an office he has filled for the past fourteen years, 1909-23, Mr. Carpenter holds important position in the textile industry, in which Fall River is famous. He is a son of Joseph Wilmarth Carpenter, a great-great-grandson of Colonel Thomas Carpenter, and a descendant of William Carpenter, who came to Boston, in May, 1638, but returned to

England in the same vessel, his son William (1) Carpenter, fifth of the name, and of the eleventh recorded generation of the family, being the American ancestor of this branch of the Carpenter family in New England. The history of the Carpenter family in England states that they bore arms, thus described:

*Arms*—Argent, a greyhound passant; a chief sable.  
*Crest*—A greyhound's head, erased per fesse sable and argent.  
*Motto*—*Celeritas, virtus, fidelitas.*

These armorial bearings were granted to the Carpenter family of Cobham, Surrey and Sussex, England, March 4, 1663, and were engraved on the tombstone of Daniel Carpenter, of Rehoboth, Massachusetts, who was born in 1669. Herefordshire, was the family seat. The English family in this line is traced to about the year 1300, but undoubtedly goes further back.

(I) John Carpenter, born about 1303, had a seat in the English parliament in 1325.

(II) Richard Carpenter, son of John Carpenter, was born about 1335, and became a wealthy goldsmith.

(III) John (2) Carpenter, son of Richard Carpenter, was a cousin of that John Carpenter, town clerk of London, who died in 1442.

(IV) John (3) Carpenter, son of John (2) Carpenter, died about the year 1500.

(V) William Carpenter, son of John (3) Carpenter, born about 1440, lived at Homme, and died in 1520.

(VI) James Carpenter was the son of William Carpenter.

(VII) John (4) Carpenter was the son of James Carpenter.

(VIII) William (2) Carpenter, son of John (4) Carpenter, was born about 1520, and died in 1550.

(IX) William (3) Carpenter, son of William (2) Carpenter, was born about 1540.

(X) William (4) Carpenter, son of William (3) Carpenter, was born in England about 1576 and lived in London. He came in the ship "Bevis" from Southampton, landing in Boston, Massachusetts, in May, 1638, but returned in the same vessel, having come over only to aid his son, William (5), to secure a location.

(XI) William (5) Carpenter, the American ancestor, son of William (4) Carpenter, was born in England in 1605, and died in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, February 7, 1659. He was first at Weymouth, and was there May 13, 1640, when admitted a freeman; was deputy from that town, 1641-43, and from Rehoboth in 1645; also constable in 1641 and proprietor's clerk of Weymouth in 1643. He drew Lot 18, in the division of lands at Rehoboth, June 30, 1644, and was admitted an inhabitant of that town, March 28, 1645. Through his influence and exertion the grant of Seekonk, later called Rehoboth, was made by the General Court at Plymouth, and in 1647 he was one of the directors of the town. He had charge of most of the legal business of the town and was evidently of superior education. He contributed to the funds for King Philip's War. As early as 1642 he was commissioned a captain,

and called upon to protect the owners of Pawtuxet lands. He served on the committee that laid out the road from Rehoboth to Dedham. He was an intimate friend of Governor Bradford, who married his cousin, Alice. His wife, Abigail, died February 22, 1687. Children: John, born about 1628, in England; William, born about 1631; Joseph, born in 1633; Hannah, born in Weymouth, April 3, 1640; Abiah, born April 9, 1643; Abigail, twin of Abiah; Samuel, mentioned below.

(XII) Samuel Carpenter, son of William (5) Carpenter, was born in 1644, and died in Rehoboth, February 20, 1683. He was one of those making the North Purchase, in which he was allotted land February 5, 1671. He also contributed to King Philip's War fund. He became wealthy for his day. He married, May 25, 1660, Sarah Readaway, and she married (second) Gilbert Brooks. Children, born at Rehoboth: Samuel, born September 15, 1661; Sarah, born January 11, 1663; Abiah, mentioned below; James, born April 12, 1668; Jacob, born September 5, 1670; Jonathan, born December 11, 1672; David, born April 17, 1675; Solomon, born December 23, 1677; Zachariah, born July 1, 1680; and Abraham, born September 20, 1682.

(XIII) Abiah Carpenter, son of Samuel Carpenter, was born at Rehoboth, February 10, 1665-66, and died in April, 1732. He was a farmer and wheelwright, and served as ensign in the militia. He married (first) in Rehoboth, May 30, 1690, Mehitabel Read, born in August, 1660, died March 19, 1701-02; married (second) June 7, 1702, Sarah Read, who died July 17, 1724; married (third) July 16, 1726, Mary Ormsby. Children by his first wife, born at Rehoboth: Abiah, born April 21, 1691; Thomas, mentioned below; Mehitabel, born November 15, 1694; Samuel; Sarah, born in 1696; Rachel, born May 19, 1699; Peter, born April 22, 1701. By second wife: Mary, born March 4, 1704; and Cornelius, born August 20, 1707.

(XIV) Thomas Carpenter, son of Abiah Carpenter, was born at Rehoboth, November 8, 1692, and died May 3, 1779. He was a farmer, and deacon of the Rehoboth church. He married there, January 17, 1720-21, Mary Barstow. She died April 28, 1783, aged seventy-eight years. Children, born in Rehoboth: May, born September 22, 1723; Peter, born September 22, 1723; Rachel, born April 14, 1731; Captain Thomas (2), mentioned below; Caleb, born September 21, 1736.

(XV) Colonel Thomas (2) Carpenter, son of Thomas Carpenter, was born at Rehoboth, October 24, 1733. He was a farmer. In 1775 he was deputy to the General Court. He was commissioned colonel of the Bristol County Militia Regiment, under General Lincoln, at Boston, November 28, 1776. He served in the Rhode Island campaigns in 1778, 1779 and 1780. He rose to this rank from a private. He was captain October 7, 1774, and was on the County Committee of Safety, etc., 1775; was delegate to the Provincial Congress at Cambridge, February 1, 1775, and at Watertown, May 31, 1775. He was one of the committee to fix the pay of soldiers and officers in June, 1775, and on a com-



mittee to devise ways and means to prevent the conveyance of information to the enemy later in that year. After the campaign about Boston, Colonel Thomas (2) Carpenter's regiment marched to join Washington's army, and arrived just before the battle of White Plains, New York. They were not in the battle, being used as reserves, four miles away, but had a slight skirmish in which three men were wounded. He was with his regiment on Long Island, in action, August 29, 1778, and was distinguished for bravery. Several of his men from Rehoboth were killed there. Colonel Carpenter is described as very large and portly in later years. He married, in Rehoboth, December 26, 1754, Elizabeth Moulton. He died April 20, 1807, at Rehoboth. His wife died there May 17, 1804. Children, all born in Rehoboth: Elizabeth, born December 22, 1755; Thomas, born March 6, 1758; Sarah, born October 10, 1760; William, born April 15, 1763; James, born September 15, 1764; Stephen, mentioned below; James, born September 15, 1767; Rebecca, born September 14, 1769; Nathan, born June 17, 1772; Peter, born October 5, 1773; Nathan, born August 27, 1776.

(XVI) Stephen Carpenter, son of Colonel Thomas (2) Carpenter, was born in Rehoboth, November 5, 1765. He was also a farmer in his native town. He married there, in January, 1790, Hannah Wilmarth. Children, born in Rehoboth: Hannah, born October 22, 1791; Stephen (2) mentioned below; Maria, born September 2, 1796; William M., born April 5, 1798; Joseph Wilmarth, born November 24, 1801; Samuel Bliss, born June 15, 1804; Ira Winsor, born May 19, 1807; Abigail Whipple, born July 28, 1810; and Francis Henry, born April 24, 1813.

(XVII) Stephen (2) Carpenter, son of Stephen Carpenter, was born at Rehoboth, September 19, 1793, and resided in that part of Tiverton now included within the limits of the city of Fall River. He kept a tavern. He died September 28, 1841. He married, February 15, 1825, Mary P. (Lawton) Douglas, widow of Benjamin Douglas. Children, born in Tiverton: 1. Stephen Henry, born January 30, 1826, died June 28, 1827. 2. William Moulton, born May 30, 1827; married, May 20, 1861, Eunice Walker Bishop, born December 23, 1821, died November 3, 1889; he was a dry goods dealer; he died April 4, 1868. 3. Joseph Wilmarth, mentioned below. 4. George Washington, born November 25, 1830, died December 21, 1832.

(XVIII) Joseph Wilmarth Carpenter, son of Stephen (2) Carpenter, was born in Tiverton, June 28, 1828, and was educated in the public schools there. When a young man he learned the trade of machine engraving in the cloth printing industry. Subsequently, he was in partnership with his brother, William M., in the retail dry goods business in Providence, Rhode Island. Their store was burned after they had been in business a number of years, and the firm was then dissolved. He then started a grocery business in Fall River, having a store at the corner of Main and Rodman streets, and conducted it until he was elected city messenger and sealer of weights and measures, which office he

held for fifteen years. Among his duties was the superintendence of the city hall, renting the hall and stores, and providing for supplies for the offices. From 1872 to 1879 he lived in Berkley and conducted a farm that he bought in that town. Upon his return to Fall River he was again called into the service of the city, and in addition to the care of the city hall he held the office of sealer of weights and measures. He resigned these offices a few years later to engage in the manufacture of roll coverings in Fall River, and continued until he was obliged by age and ill health to retire. He died in Fall River, February 24, 1894, and was buried in Oak Grove Cemetery. For many years he was a member of the Volunteer Fire Department of Fall River, and secretary of the famous old Cascade Fire Company.

Mr. Carpenter married, November 10, 1853, Phoebe Kershaw, who was born February 13, 1831, in Cheadle, England, a daughter of James W. and Mary R. (Barnes) Kershaw. She died April 20, 1895. Children, born in Fall River: 1. Joseph Wilmarth, born September 4, 1855, died in Worcester, October 30, 1899; a traveling salesman; married Anna Barney. 2. Annie E., born February 22, 1858; teacher in the public schools of Fall River for several years; married Moses F. Briery, of Worcester. 3. Mary A., born July 17, 1860, teacher in the John J. McDonough School, of Fall River. 4. Edward M., born May 23, 1863; married Alice Bayhurst; resides in Fall River. 5. Frank L., mentioned below.

(XIX) Frank L. Carpenter, son of Joseph Wilmarth Carpenter, was born in Fall River, January 3, 1868. He attended the public schools of his native city, and was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1887. He then began to study for the profession of architect in the office of Ichabod B. Burt, of Fall River, but a year later became a clerk in the office of the Durfee Mills. In 1889 he accepted the position of assistant bookkeeper of the Sagamore Manufacturing Company, and in 1892 became head-bookkeeper for the Fall River Iron Works Company, filling that position until September 14, 1909, when he was elected treasurer of the Davis Mills, succeeding Arthur H. Mason, and in this office he has continued to the present time. The uniform growth and prosperity of the mills under his management have been due in large part to his executive ability and energy.

Mr. Carpenter is a director of the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank; a trustee of the Union Savings Bank; a member of the corporation of the Fall River Savings Bank; and he serves the Bradford Durfee Textile School as a trustee. He is the president of the Kilburn and Lincoln Machine Company, of Fall River; a member of the Fall River Cotton Manufacturing Association; and the National Cotton Manufacturers' Association. He is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; of which he is a past thrice illustrious master;

Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar, of which he is past eminent commander; and a member of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Association of Knights Templar commanders. In the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite he has attained the thirty-second degree, Massachusetts Consistory, Supreme Princes of the Royal Secret; and is a past sovereign prince of Samuel C. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem, one of the constituent bodies of that consistory. He is a charter member of Puritan Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and was master of finance of that lodge for several years. In politics he is a Republican, and his clubs are: the Quequechan; Fall River Country, of Fall River; the Acoaxet Country of Westport, the Republican of Massachusetts, the Arkwright, and the Home Market of Boston, of which latter he is a vice-president; and the Southern New England Textile Club.

At Fall River, on September 20, 1893, Frank L. Carpenter married, Annie P. Brightman, a daughter of Pardon M. and Rachel D. (Pickering) Brightman. Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter are the parents of a daughter, Isabel, born July 22, 1899, married, June 10, 1922, Edward H. Bowen, of the firm of Gifford & Bowen, cotton brokers, of Fall River.

**OLIVER SNOW (2) HAWES**—The name Oliver Snow Hawes was borne in Fall River, Massachusetts, most worthily for thirty-five years by a man who passed away three years before his grandson, the present bearer of the name, was born, and he, since becoming the custodian of the name, has borne it none the less worthily, but with the difference in times and conditions he has advanced its importance in the business world, and it is now found heading the list of officers of Fall River's important banks, manufacturing corporations and firms. The grandfather created a prestige for the name of Hawes in Fall River hard to equal or eclipse, for of him his biographer said: "He was one of the very few bold, self-reliant, clear-minded, strong-willed, iron-nerved and unyielding men who laid the foundations and reared the superstructure of this thriving city, and his memory should and ever will be held sacred among its citizens." This man, Oliver Snow (1) Hawes, was in his day one of the leading business men of Fall River, was an able financier as well as a skilled, practical machinist, and possessed rare executive powers. He was large of physique, of commanding presence, a man of genial, kindly nature, wishing everybody well and treating everybody well. Such a man was the first Oliver Snow Hawes, who passed from the scene of action in 1857, leaving sons to perpetuate the name. To his grandson, Oliver Snow Hawes, has fallen in a generous degree the fine business qualities characteristic of the grand-sire, and he has employed his legacy to such good purpose that he holds a leading position among the men who have built the business superstructure which has arisen upon the foundations laid by such men as Oliver Snow (1) Hawes.

Like his father, Oliver Snow (2) Hawes is a native son, a member in the eighth generation of the family founded in Dedham, Massachusetts, by Edward Hawes, born about 1620, and died in 1686. The line of descent

is thus traced to Oliver S. (2) Hawes, of Fall River: (I) Edward Hawes and his wife, Eliony Lombard; (II) Their son, Daniel Hawes, and his first wife, Abiel Gay; (III) their son, Daniel (2) Hawes, and his first wife, Beriah Man; (IV) their son, Aaron Hawes, and his wife, Mary Snow; (V) their son, Lieutenant James Hawes, and his wife, Jemima Farrington; (VI) their son, Oliver Snow Hawes, and his second wife, Patience Borden Cook; (VII) their son, William M. Hawes, and his wife, Louisa Buffum; (VIII) their son, Oliver Snow (2) Hawes.

Oliver Snow (1) Hawes, of the sixth generation, was born in Wrentham, Massachusetts, June 2, 1791, and died at Fall River, Massachusetts, September 19, 1857. He became a skilled machinist, working in Massachusetts and Maine, settling at Fall River, where he became a member of the firm of Harris, Hawes & Company, operating a machine shop, a business which was succeeded by O. S. Hawes & Company, which in 1839 became Hawes, Marvel & Davol, Mr. Hawes continuing its head until his death. In 1879, two decades after his death, the business was absorbed by the Fall River Iron Works.

William M. Hawes, son of Oliver Snow (1) and Patience Borden (Cook) Hawes, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, March 1, 1833, and there died, February 16, 1898, and was buried in Oak Grove Cemetery. He was educated in Fall River schools, and at an early age began learning the machinist's trade with his father's firm, Hawes, Marvel & Davol, remaining in that employ until the death of his father in 1857. He then organized the firm of William M. Hawes & Company, machinery manufacturers, which later became the Hawes Machine Company. He continued in active business life until August, 1892, when he retired, his death following six years later. He was interested in public affairs, and served his city as councilman and water commissioner, being president of the Common Council in 1880. He was an active member of the First Congregational Church, and superintendent of the Sunday school; was one of the founders and first officers of the Young Men's Christian Association in Fall River; an official of the Children's Friend Society, later consolidated with the Orphan's Home, both now included in the Children's Home.

William M. Hawes married, in North Berwick, Maine, May 5, 1858, Louisa Buffum, born in North Berwick, February 6, 1838, died at Fall River, September 12, 1912, daughter of Cyrus and Lydia (Estes) Buffum, her father born in North Berwick, her mother in Sandwich, New Hampshire, both members of the Society of Friends. Six generations of Buffums have been residents of North Berwick, and the house built in 1764 by her great-grandfather was the birthplace of Mrs. Hawes. Mr. and Mrs. Hawes were the parents of six children: Oliver Snow (2), of further mention; William Buffum, a member of the firm of O. S. Hawes & Brother; Jennie, who died in childhood; Edward, who died in childhood; Louise Buffum, who married Willard H. Poole, of Fall River; and Edith Kingsley, who married Harold R. Barker, of Fall River.

Such were the antecedents of Oliver S. (2) Hawes, whose career is herein reviewed. He was born at





Walter Du Loney



Fall River, Massachusetts, May 17, 1860, and there yet resides, having just passed his sixty-third year of vigorous manhood, an active business man. He obtained his education in Fall River public schools, and then entered the clerical employ of the Clyde Steamship Company, spending the first three years of his business life with that company. He was next a local contractor of electrical work in connection with the Edison Company, so continuing until September, 1885, when he established in business as a cotton broker. He operated alone until 1888, when with his brother, William B. Hawes, he formed the firm of O. S. Hawes & Brother, which yet continues (1923) as yarn brokers.

The years which have since intervened have been years of growth and expansion for Fall River, and for the corporation of which Mr. Hawes has long been connected, and with his responsibilities he has correspondingly developed into a strong, self-reliant, resourceful and progressive executive and a man of affairs. He now is and for years has been president of the Fall River National Bank; president of the King Philip Mills and the American Linen Company; a director of the Fall River Electric Light Company; member of the Board of Investment of the Fall River Savings Bank, and a member of the firm of O. S. Hawes & Brother. Politically, Mr. Hawes is a Republican. He is a member of the First Congregational (Trinitarian) Church, the church of the faith of his ancestors.

Oliver S. (2) Hawes married, November 18, 1886, at Fall River, Massachusetts, Mary E. Tripp, born September 27, 1861, daughter of Azariah S. and Elizabeth R. (Griffin) Tripp, her father a national bank cashier, savings bank president, and director of several corporations, manufacturing and public utilities. Mr. and Mrs. Hawes are the parents of four children: Richard Kingsley, born July 21, 1888; Lincoln Tripp, born March 18, 1895; Oliver Snow (3), born July 4, 1897; Philip Tripp, twin with Oliver S. (3).

**HAROLD S. R. BUFFINTON**—Holding a leading position in the legal fraternity in Fall River, Massachusetts, Mr. Buffinton is a member of the firm of Swift, Grime, Buffinton & Crossley. In this group of progressive men of the day, Mr. Buffinton is winning large success in his chosen field of professional endeavor. He is a son of Charles D. and Sabrina M. (Davis) Buffinton, both natives of Fall River and both still living. The father has for many years been active as the manager of the widely known firm of S. R. Buffinton & Company, leading coal dealers of Fall River.

Harold S. R. Buffinton was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, December 18, 1887. He received his early education in the public schools of this city, and is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1905. Thereafter entering Harvard University, he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1909 and with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1912. Mr. Buffinton began the practice of his profession in the city of Boston, but after two years' experience there, returned to Fall River to become associated with the law firm theretofore known as Swift, Grime & Swift. In 1915 he was made a member of

the firm, and the name thereby became Swift, Grime & Buffinton. William C. Crossley coming into the organization in November, 1920, the firm name assumed its present form, and these forward-looking men are handling a very extensive and lucrative practice of a general nature. As a member of this firm, Mr. Buffinton is affiliated with the American Bar Association, the Massachusetts Bar Association, and the Bar Association of Fall River, serving on the executive committee of the two latter bodies.

In March, 1918, Mr. Buffinton entered the World War, after having been twice rejected. He was stationed at Camp Hancock, Georgia, as a private in the ordnance department. He was subsequently transferred to Camp Fremont, Palo Alto, California, where he was made sergeant of ordnance, which non-commissioned office he held until January, 1919, when he received his honorable discharge from the service, and returning East, resumed his law practice. Mr. Buffinton is well known socially, being a member of the Quequechan, Fall River Country and the Acoaxet clubs. His religious affiliation is with the First Christian Church, and he is a member of the church committee.

**WALTER M. LOWNEY**—It would be difficult to find in the State of Massachusetts a name more universally known the world over than that of Walter M. Lowney, the pioneer of package chocolate bonbons, and that "name on every piece" carried around the world has become a synonym for sincerity and business integrity. From the connoisseur to the child who loves Lowney sweets because they are delicious to the last morsel, the world has capitulated to the charm of quality, and honors the name which is a household word in every country on the face of the globe. Thousands of consumers are probably unaware that the work of production is now being carried on by others, but the significance of the name will never change. No formal eulogy, however, could possibly carry the wealth of meaning which the name holds for the people of Mansfield, Massachusetts, who knew Walter M. Lowney as business executive, citizen and friend, and words of appreciation are more fittingly left for them.

William Lowney, Mr. Lowney's father, lived in the city of Bangor, Maine, a generation or two ago. He married Eliza Weston, of Maine, and both were members of old and honored families of that State.

Walter M. Lowney was born at Sebec, Maine, September 2, 1855. His formal education was limited to the advantages of the Bangor public schools, but his mental capacity knew no limits, and the courage and boundless faith in himself and mankind which marked every step in his career were the strongest characteristics of the man. His career was begun in his native State, as for some years he was engaged as a tailor in Bangor but the blood of pioneers ran in his veins and his keen interest in life suggested wider opportunities of achievement in other fields of endeavor. Mr. Lowney accordingly came to Boston, where he became associated with the Philadelphia Candy Company, and was for about three years active in their New England interests. It was in 1879 that he formed this affiliation, and the three succeeding years gave

Mr. Lowney the working basis upon which he founded the present great industry. His appraisal of conditions in the candy trade led him to a conviction that a package of fine chocolate bonbons at a reasonable price was the great lack of the time, for outside the large cities nothing could be found except cough drops, stick candies and perhaps a few kinds of confectionery. Furthermore, in all New England there was then no plant producing chocolates. Those who knew Mr. Lowney know that for him to decide was to act, and in February, 1883, he established himself independently at No. 89 South street, Boston, getting together, by the greatest personal sacrifice, the equipment for the manufacture of a fine grade of chocolate bonbons. This first plant was a four-story structure, a fraction under thirty by thirty feet in ground dimensions. A phase of the enterprise broadly characteristic of all Mr. Lowney's activities was that even at the start he produced something a little different, introducing the light chocolate covering. Thus he gave a more delicate consistency and flavor to his product, the excellence of materials and perfection of formulae compelling their popularity, notwithstanding the gloomy prophecies of the trade regarding the innovation.

The people gave to the Lowney chocolates the very practical commendation of a steadily increasing demand for more. With the man of the pioneer spirit the situation was resolved into a matter of staying power, and he stayed. The struggles and sacrifices incident to the establishing of any enterprise on a sure and permanent foundation he experienced in full measure, and it was early in January, 1886, that a larger building was secured on rental to meet the imperative need of expansion. This building was located at Nos. 101-103 Pearl street, in Boston, and machinery was installed and operations were in full swing on the 30th of the same month. The organization later looked back to the record sale of that year—nineteen cases, valued at \$750, which were shipped on July 27, 1886, small, perhaps, beside the daily carloads of the present time, but a great achievement at that period. In those early years Walter M. Lowney was the entire executive force, often also taking a hand in production, particularly in instructing new employees. Right here is perhaps best brought out his attitude towards work. He demanded of himself the highest possible achievement, and he demanded the same of every employee and associate in the entire organization. Nothing short of perfection satisfied him, and there was no place in his factory for any one who was content with a less lofty standard. Yet in the most comradely way he worked with his people, striving ever for his goal, expecting every worker to strive with and for him, but never asking of even the most unimportant subordinate a service which he would not willingly perform himself.

Steady growth marked the history of the enterprise. A lease was obtained on an adjoining property in 1887, and in 1890 a third building on Pearl street was taken over. Meanwhile, in 1888, the export business was founded, the first shipment of nineteen cases going to London, England, leaving the factory on January 19th. The concern was incorporated October 1, 1890, and on the 22nd of the same month the custom was established of employer and employee getting together on a

social footing. This occasion was a formal dinner at the Parker House, in Boston, and since that time many forms of social activity have cemented the happy relations between the workers and the man who directed and inspired their efforts. The comfort and health of the workers were always a paramount consideration with Mr. Lowney, and as early as February 24, 1891, he started work on a refrigeration plant for the cooling of the work rooms as well as the store-rooms.

Mr. Lowney's ideas for bringing his product before the attention of the people were from the first original and striking. One of the first internationally important advertising projects was the exquisitely artistic building at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, in 1893. This structure, which was a faithful reproduction and restitution of the ruined Temple of Vesta, in Rome, Italy, stood in the Court of Honor, and was at that time considered by many as an extravagant means of advertising. Close attention was given to costs, and the direct results were carefully computed. The financial returns were more than adequate reimbursement for the expenditure, to say nothing of the prestige gained and the pride of the workers in it. Lowney's product won the gold medal, the highest award there given to chocolate bonbons. Again, in 1901, Mr. Lowney exhibited at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, and he has since done the same at other leading fairs, winning the highest honors everywhere.

In the meantime the growth of the factory and its branches was a steady and continuous advance. The Chicago branch was opened March 11, 1891, and the present great building on Commercial street, in Boston, was erected in 1897, occupation being effected February 28, 1898. A noteworthy feature of this period was the shipment in 1900 of 42,000 pounds of Lowney's chocolates to the United States Army in the Philippines, and this precedent has been followed up in both the army and the navy in all their expeditionary activities. When the limits of procurable land area in the city of Boston were exhausted, Mr. Lowney chose the town of Mansfield, Bristol county, Massachusetts, as the most desirable location for further expansion, and in 1903 the present splendid plant was erected here. Lowney's breakfast cocoa and chocolate coverings are produced in this factory, and it comprises one of the most important industrial interests of Bristol county. A subsidiary company was formed in Montreal, Canada, in 1906, and subsequent activities have been established in Vancouver, Winnipeg, Calgary and a fine branch in Toronto.

Mr. Lowney had extensive affiliations in the world of finance and among the organizations of the State for various progressive endeavors. He was a director of the Boston National Bank, served on the executive committee of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, and was chairman of the Americanization Committee, this office being in closest alignment with his chief welfare interest. He was a member of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanics' Association, was a member of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, and from 1911 until 1915 served on the executive committee of the board of directors of that body. Mr. Lowney was always very deeply interested and broadly



active in all efforts for boys, was a director of the Boys' Club Federation of the United States, also of the Bunker Hill Boys' Club, of Charlestown. By political affiliation he was a staunch Republican, though never active in office, his multitudinous responsibilities commanding his time and strength too completely to admit of political interests. Fraternally he was affiliated with St. Andrew's Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Bangor, Maine, with various other Scottish Rite bodies, holding the thirty-second degree in this order, and was a member of Boston Commandery, Knights Templar, and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, also of Boston.

Mr. Lowney, as a personality and a public-spirited citizen, meant much to the town of Mansfield, as well as in his activities as a leading manufacturer. The prosperity of the community is obviously increased by any enterprise which gives employment to the people, but he took a keen personal interest in the progress of the community. Within a period of five years he paid taxes, either individually or as the head of the concern, on about one-eighth of assessable property of Mansfield, and the valuation of this property has now reached about \$750,000. In addition to the plant, he owns the Lowney stock farm, which he developed, and he built the "Tavern," which he made his residence for more than a decade. He built the First National Bank building, and for fifteen years was a director of the institution, and he was president of the Mansfield Realty Association, also a director of the Mansfield Board of Trade. He purchased the forlorn plot of ground known as the North Common, developed there such a beauty spot as would be the pride of any community, and presented it to the town under the name of Lowney Park. The community honored him with a banquet in 1917, in grateful appreciation of this gift. It was principally through his influence that the legislation was brought about enabling the town to go forward under the present manager form of government, which is so highly commended by the practical business men of the town.

For many years Mr. Lowney has operated all his interests on the profit-sharing plan. This is only a concrete expression of the feeling of comradeship which has always been a marked feature of his attitude toward those associated with him in the capacity of employees. His death brought out countless expressions of appreciation from among them, as well as from his contemporaries in every walk of life throughout the United States and from many foreign countries. An employee wrote for the "Lowney Messenger" of May, 1921:

And how loyal to those who were loyal to him in turn! If "Bell was right," he was right, and that was the whole story. None of us knew how the burdens of our mistakes were assumed by "Mister" without comment or complaint because he believed in us, in our good intentions, straightforwardness and loyalty, nor how many times he came to our defense when it might have been necessary. Who could not and would not pull more than his load for such a man? These were the things that tied our people together.

Quotations might be multiplied, but the above expresses fully the bond of fellowship between employer and employee. The death of Walter M. Lowney was felt among them as the death of a father, a brother, a close friend. He passed away in Atlantic City, New

Jersey, April 4, 1921, heart failure being the cause. No one who has ever known him can forget the dynamic, still broadly benevolent personality for which that name stands. Great, even in little things, he is unspeakably missed, mourned alike by those linked by the ties of nature, and those who remember him as friend and benefactor. He no longer stands at the head of the great organization of which he was the founder and head—no longer in the flesh, but the spirit which brought his enterprise into being and carried it to world-wide importance still leads the organization. His ideals are faithfully cherished. Every man, executive and employee, still adheres to his principles, and the product which goes out with his "name on every piece" bears in its perfection, and will until the end of time, all honor to that name.

Walter M. Lowney married, January 25, 1877, Nettie Bolton, of Bangor, Maine, who still survives him. Mrs. Lowney is a daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel George A. Bolton, chief of police of Bangor for many years. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having served with the "nine-months" men in the 31st Regiment, Maine Volunteer Infantry, receiving a severe wound at the battle of Gettysburg. He received seven commissions in that struggle. The mother, Sarah (Smith) Bolton, was born at Palmyra, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Lowney's children numbered four: 1. Bessie W. 2. Harry Nelson, who died at the age of two and one-half years. 3. Louise B., wife of Russell Bickford. 4. Margery B., wife of Edson A. McRae, who had two children: Elizabeth Edson McRae, adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Bickford, of Glen Ridge; and Walter Lowney McRae, who died at the age of four years. The members of the family have always attended the Congregational church, and Mrs. Lowney now resides in the Mansfield camp, opposite the Lowney plant.

**WILLIAM HENRY JENNINGS**—His biographer of an earlier day wrote thus of William Henry Jennings, a native son of Fall River, Massachusetts;

His qualities of mind and character in which energy, industry, sagacity, perseverance and courage were tempered with that wise caution which restrained him within the limit of his resources—these early secured him an important position among his business associates and contributed largely to the origin and success of the important business enterprise in which he was engaged.

Reviewing his career and according him proper place in the present history of the district in which his active and fruitful career was passed, and witnessing the beneficial bearing of his labors upon the city of the present, there is found ample substantiation of this contemporary estimate. His name is justly written upon the roll of Massachusetts' sons of proud record.

The tradition is that John Jennings, the first of the family of whom there is authentic data, came to Massachusetts from England, he living at Sandwich, on Cape Cod, in 1667, and there died, an old man, June 18, 1722. He is thought to have been a member of the Society of Friends; at any rate he was friendly and owned "Quaker" books. By his second wife, Rahumah, he had among other children a son, Isaac, through whom descent in this branch is traced. Further descent is through John, Isaac (2), Isaac (3), Edward, to William Henry, of the seventh American genera-

tion. Edward Jennings, of the sixth generation, married Betsey Palmer, and settled at Fall River, Massachusetts, where their son, William Henry, was born, February 20, 1831, and died June 13, 1885.

William H. Jennings attended public school until thirteen years of age, then began clerking in a grocery store, continuing for several years in that line. For a short time he was claim adjuster for the Old Colony Railroad Company, but becoming impressed with the advantages Fall River offered cotton manufacturers, in 1866 he organized the Merchants' Manufacturing Company, obtaining a stock subscription of \$800,000 in two days. The company built what was the largest single mill in Fall River at the time, Mr. Jennings being elected clerk of the corporation and treasurer of the company, offices which he held until 1883, the condition of his health then causing his retirement. During these years, 1866-1883, Mr. Jennings acquired other interests, becoming deeply interested in the Globe Street Railway Company, of which he was president, as he was of the Globe Yarn Mills and the Barnard Manufacturing Company; a director of the Wampanoag Mills, the Crystal Spring Bleaching and Dyeing Company, the Manufacturers' Mutual Life Insurance Company, and the Metacomet National Bank. He achieved a remarkable success as a business man, and came to be recognized as a leader. He was very energetic and devoted to the duties of the offices voted him, and he shirked no public or private duty.

Mr. Jennings clearly visioned the future of Fall River real estate, investing extensively in lands west of Broadway. He was a Republican in politics, and a member of Fall River Common Council in 1857 and 1858. In religious faith he was a Congregationalist, a member of the Central Church of Fall River, a member of the building committee in charge of the erection of the present edifice, and active in all forms of church work.

William H. Jennings married, December 24, 1863, Annie Borden Chase, born January 10, 1840, in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, who yet survives him (1923), daughter of Borden and Elizabeth A. (Thomas) Chase. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Jennings: Edward Borden, who married Anne L. Francis; Annie Chase, who married Arthur Anthony; William Henry, (2), a sketch of whom follows; and Charles Joseph, who died in childhood.

The years that have elapsed since William Henry Jennings' passing have not served to remove his memory from the minds and hearts of those of his contemporaries to whom time has been kind, while those who were the younger business men of his day recall the example of his sturdy integrity and public spirit. The influence of a life righteously and effectively lived survives long after hands are stilled and voices hushed, a truth which gives double significance to this record of the career of William Henry Jennings.

**WILLIAM HENRY (2) JENNINGS**—In a modern day, under conditions in which progress and improvement are the watch words, and personal worth the first standard of judgment in the choice of leaders in the world of affairs, William Henry Jennings has added a chapter of distinction to the

record of an honored family name. The active career of William Henry (2) Jennings, in the history of his line in Fall River, did not begin until death had closed that of his father, William H. Jennings (see preceding sketch), and his place of prominence in the business circles of the city lends additional strength to the family tradition of usefulness in private and public life.

William Henry (2) Jennings, son of William Henry and Annie Borden (Chase) Jennings, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, July 15, 1868. He completed a full course of public school study with graduation from high school, class of 1887, and then became a student at Phillips-Exeter Academy, where he finished his formal education in 1888. In 1891 he was elected treasurer of the Webster Loom Harness Company, an office he still holds, and in 1897 he became treasurer of the Algonquin Printing Company, manufacturers of a general line of prints and percales. He has won an important position in the business life of the city and worthily bears his honored name. In addition to the foregoing offices Mr. Jennings is president of the Flint Mills, the Barnard Manufacturing Company, the Luther Manufacturing Company, and is a director of the King Philip Mills, Wampanoag Mills, Arkwright Mills, Tecumseh Mills, Laurel Lake Mills, Metacomet National Bank and the B. M. C. Durfee Trust Company, all of them Fall River corporations.

Mr. Jennings is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; and Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a member of many clubs and organizations, including the Fall River Country and the Quequechan.

**JAMES EDWARD NEWTON**—One of the most important names in industrial advance in Fall River, Massachusetts, is that of James Edward Newton, who is connected with no less than five of the foremost textile concerns of the day and is affiliated with various other financial and industrial organizations of Bristol county.

The Newton family is one of the foremost in early New England history, and in Colonial days was thoroughly representative of that Quaker stock from which so many great men of subsequent years have sprung. Guy Stafford Newton, Mr. Newton's grandfather, was a leading farmer of Worcester county, influential in local and county affairs, and for a number of years a member of the Massachusetts State Legislature, where his activities counted much along progressive lines for the welfare and economic security of the State.

James Newton, son of Guy Stafford Newton and father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Worcester county, Massachusetts, and came to Fall River as a young man, associating himself with the Card Clothing Company. His activities were



of the greatest significance to the textile industry in Fall River, and as a public-spirited citizen he exerted a wide influence for progress entirely, however, in an unofficial way. He died in 1879, at the comparatively early age of fifty-four years, his career closing when he was still in his prime. James Newton married Elizabeth S. Anthony, also of an early Colonial Quaker family, and a daughter of Joseph C. Anthony, who in association with Charles O. Shove was a leading figure in the cotton industry a generation or so ago. Elizabeth S. (Anthony) Newton died in 1915, at the advanced age of eighty-four years.

James Edward (J. Edward) Newton, son of James and Elizabeth S. (Anthony) Newton, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, December 3, 1866. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace and he later attended the Moses Brown School of Providence, Rhode Island. Following the completion of his studies, Mr. Newton secured a position in the King Philip Mills of Fall River and this comprised his first activities in the textile industry. After fourteen months of experience in this connection Mr. Newton apprenticed himself to the carpenter's and pattern-maker's trade and for about five years was employed thus. This work, however, did not hold the appeal for him which he had anticipated, and he has sometimes been heard to remark that he "threw his hammer away." He next engaged in the bicycle and insurance business, but with the rapid development of the popularity of the bicycle he discontinued the insurance activities as his commercial interest expanded. Adding a general line of sporting goods to his establishment, he was one of the first to take up the distribution of the automobile, and from 1900 until 1922 was one of the foremost figures in automobile circles as a dealer in Fall River, handling many of the leading makes of cars.

Mr. Newton's early interest in the textile industry, however, determined almost wholly the nature of his investment during these years. He bought heavily of stock in the various cotton mills of this section and is now considered one of the foremost textile executives of the day in New England. In 1915 he was elected treasurer of the Barnard Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of print cloths and fancy weaves, and on February 6, 1923, he was made treasurer of the Troy Cotton and Woolen Manufactory, producers of cotton print cloth. He is also a director of these two concerns, and is a director of the Weetamoo, Wampanoag, and American Linen Mills. Mr. Newton is a director of the Fall River National Bank, and a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce. He is also a director of the Boys' Club and treasurer of the Fall River Savings Bank.

Mr. Newton is widely known fraternally, holding membership in King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, No. 25, Knights Templar; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Aleppo Temple,

Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and also of Azab Grotto. He is a member of the Quequechan Club, Fall River Country Club, Sakonnet Golf Club, of Little Compton, Rhode Island; and of Acoaxet Club. Mr. Newton's benevolences are broad and he takes a deep interest in all welfare activities, serving as a member of the executive and finance committee of the Aged People's Home and bearing a constructive part in all effort in this field. He is affiliated with the Society of Friends.

James Edward Newton married, on November 10, 1896, Hettie White, of Fall River, Massachusetts, daughter of Dr. White, for many years a leading physician of this city, now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Newton have two children: Dorothy, wife of Dr. Clifton Leech, of Fall River; and Elizabeth A., still at home.

**GODEFROY de TONNANCOUR**—Through his newspaper, "L'Independant", Godefroy de Tonnancour is known to a greater part of the French-speaking people of the United States than perhaps any other man, as "L'Independant" is the foremost daily in the country printed in French. In Fall River, Massachusetts, "L'Independant's" home, he is also known for the high quality of his citizenship, and his fine social qualities and pleasing personality. He has always borne a public-spirited part in the upbuilding of Fall River and is now postmaster of the city. He is of French ancestry on both paternal and maternal lines, his forbears coming from Old France to New France among the earliest settlers of Quebec, Canada. They were people of importance in their day, one of the family being governor of Three Rivers, Quebec. He is a son of Leonard G. and Archange (Daneault) de Tonnancour, his parents born in the Province of Quebec. Leonard de Tonnancour came to the United States in 1869, settling in Manchester, New Hampshire, which was his home until his death in 1904.

Godefroy de Tonnancour was born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, March 18, 1864, but at the age of five years he was brought to the United States, Manchester, New Hampshire, becoming the family home in 1869. He returned to Canada to complete his education, attending St. James' College at Montreal for four years, following that course of classical study with two years in Montreal Business College. He completed the latter course of study with graduation, class of 1880, returning to Manchester in 1881. In that year he formed an association with "L'Echo," a weekly paper published in French, and until 1885 that association continued. He then formed a connection with Ferdinand Gagnor, publisher of "Le Travailleur," a semi-weekly French newspaper regarded as the leader of all other French papers in New England. Mr. de Tonnancour spent one year in association with Mr. Gagnor, as associate editor, but in April, 1886, the latter died and the associate became the chief editor, a position he held for one year.

In 1887 Mr. de Tonnancour resigned his position and accepted the editorship of "Le Defenseur," a weekly French paper published in Holyoke, Massachusetts. Soon afterward the owners started a daily paper, "L'Annexionniste," of which he also was editor. The new paper advocated the annexation of Canada to the United States, but the policy of the paper was not approved by the older French-Canadian papers and their wrath descended upon the youthful editor and his paper. But Editor de Tonnancour stood by his guns and taught the doctrine of annexation for four years, resigning in 1891 to accept the editorial management of "L'Esperance," a French paper founded at Central Falls, Rhode Island. He remained at Central Falls, Rhode Island, until September, 1894, when he located at Fall River, Massachusetts, which has ever since been his home. On coming to Fall River, Mr. de Tonnancour became editor of the French daily newspaper, "L'Independant," over which he had exercised editorial and managerial control during the more than twenty-eight years which have since intervened. "L'Independant" was then a four-page paper, and today its issues run from ten to twenty-four pages. The policy of the paper is Republican, that being also the personal politics of the editor.

In his editorial work Mr. de Tonnancour has urged strongly upon his countrymen the importance of becoming citizens, and in the cause of naturalization and Americanization he has wielded a forceful pen and rendered valiant and valuable service.

From 1903 until 1905 Mr. de Tonnancour served Fall River as fire commissioner, acting throughout that entire period as secretary of the board. During the World War he was appointed, by Governor Samuel W. McCall, a member of the Public Safety Committee of Massachusetts. In November, 1921, he was appointed an attaché of the government at Washington in attendance on the Conference for the Limitation of Armament, and spent five months in Washington on work connected with the conference. For the past thirty years he has sat in the State Republican conventions as a delegate and has been five times appointed a member of the Committee on Resolutions. In 1916 he was elected an alternate to the National Republican Convention which sat in Chicago, Illinois, and finally nominated Charles Evans Hughes, who had persistently declined to become a candidate. On March 3, 1923, he was appointed postmaster of Fall River, and on April 16th assumed the duties of the office.

In 1901 Mr. de Tonnancour was appointed Officer of Academy by the French Government. He is a member of the Calumet Club. He has been a frequent contributor to newspapers and to numerous magazines, and it is a safe assertion that he is one of the most widely-read writers in New England. In 1892 he substituted for the editor of the Pawtucket "Times" for two months while the editor was away on a European tour. He is a music lover, performing on several instruments with precision and skill, including the violin, cello and piano, and is also a talented vocalist. He is most

pleasing in personality, and possesses a wealth of friends.

Mr. de Tonnancour married, November 25, 1895, Marie Anna Davignon, born in St. Mathias, Province of Quebec, Canada, and to them four children have been born, two of whom are living: 1. René G., secretary of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. 2. Charlotte, who married Earl W. Heathcote, of the Fall River "News" staff.

The family home is at Fall River, the city to which Mr. de Tonnancour first came in 1894. His more than quarter of a century of life in the city has been a period of growth and prosperity for both Fall River and its progressive editor, while the future appears equally bright for both.

**ALLSTON ESTES WILLIAMS**—A record of thirty-four years of continuous service with the same financial institution is one in which any executive may well take pride, and this is the record of Allston E. Williams, treasurer of the Bristol County Trust Company, one of the most important institutions in the eastern part of the State of Massachusetts. An efficient and able executive, Mr. Williams has won his way to his present office from a subordinate position, building the steps by which he has risen with his own hands, by means of that industry and integrity which made him of permanent value to the organization.

The Williams family traces back, in Bristol county, Massachusetts, to Richard Williams, who in 1639 was one of the original settlers of that part of the county which later became the city of Taunton. Various eminent historians have termed Richard Williams the "Father of Taunton".

Allston E. Williams, whose name entitles this review, is a son of Philander and Amelia A. (Hall) Williams, both natives of Bristol county. The mother is a descendant of George Hall, one of the founders of the city of Taunton. Philander Williams, father of Allston E. Williams, was a veteran of the Civil War, in which he served with honor and distinction as a member of Company F, Fourth Massachusetts Volunteer Regiment, and received a commission as second lieutenant. He was a wholesale grocer by occupation, being prominent in this field in Bristol county for more than forty years, and as a poultry fancier he gained an international reputation. Both parents are now deceased.

Allston Estes Williams was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, September 27, 1870. His education was begun in the local public schools and completed in Bristol Academy, and after finishing his studies Mr. Williams entered the world of men and affairs as a messenger in the employ of the Taunton National Bank. This was in the year 1888, and from that time forward his rise was steady, carrying him through the different grades of responsibility until he was made paying teller of that institution. In 1917 the Taunton National Bank was merged into the Bristol County Trust





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Company, of which Mr. Williams was made assistant treasurer, and in September, 1921, he was advanced to the position of treasurer, in which office he is still active. He is also a director of this institution, but outside of the affairs of the bank he has few interests except those of a social nature. He is a member of the Winthrop Club, the Segregansett Country Club, and the Young Men's Christian Association. Possessing a fine bass voice, he has served for many years as the director of the choir of the Trinitarian Congregational Church, of which he is a member and was for fifteen years its treasurer. Mr. Williams is also a member of the Old Colony Historical Society, now serving as its treasurer, and was a leading figure in the Taunton Choral Union, of which he is one of the founders and its first president.

Mr. Williams married, in 1897, Grace I. Bonner, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of William H. and Mary E. (Peck) Bonner.

**FRANK E. WESTGATE** is the son of Alonzo W. Westgate, who was born in Tiverton, Rhode Island, July 21, 1842, and when about fourteen years of age sailed from New Bedford on his first whaling voyage. He followed the sea for several years, until about 1869, when he married Sarah E. Nye, who was born in Rochester, now Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. After giving up whaling, he was engineer and master mechanic in a saw mill and box factory in Mattapoisett. He later established a grocery and provision business in Fall River, retiring in 1915. He was a member of Mount Hope Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Alonzo W. Westgate died March 30, 1918, and his widow, Sarah E. Westgate, died December 26, 1918.

Frank E. Westgate was born December 9, 1872, in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts, where he lived during his early boyhood. In 1888 the family located in Fall River, the father, Alonzo W. Westgate, having purchased a grocery and provision business there. The son, Frank E., worked in the store during vacations, and graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School, of Fall River, in the class of 1892. From high school he entered business life, his first position being in the office of the Pocasset Manufacturing Company, continuing with that company about four or five years, and later was a clerk in the office of the Durfee Mills, remaining with that corporation about two years. In 1900 he became a clerk in the Massasoit National Bank. In 1903 the business of the Massasoit National Bank, the Pocasset National Bank, and the National Union Bank, was taken over by the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank, under a new charter. Mr. Westgate was then advanced to the rank of note teller, and later elected assistant cashier, September 10, 1912. On May 9, 1906, Mr. Westgate was elected secretary and later treasurer of the Fall River Co-Operative Bank, but still retained his position with the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank. He held this office until he was elected cashier of the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank, May 31,

1921. He is a director of the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank and also of the Fall River Co-Operative Bank, a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He is a member of the Lions Club, of Fall River, the Chamber of Commerce, the Quequechan Club, and the Fall River Yacht Club.

Mr. Westgate married, in 1901, Cora A. Creighton, of Fall River, daughter of Thomas J. Creighton, proprietor of T. J. Creighton & Company, brass founders. She is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, of the Fall River Training School, and for a time taught in the Fall River public schools. There are two sons of this marriage: Milton A. and Ray C.

**RUFUS WATERMAN BASSETT**—A native son of Taunton, Mr. Bassett further traces to a line of Bristol and Plymouth county ancestors, resident in Taunton, Westport and Rochester, Massachusetts, and other Plymouth county towns, from the coming of William Bassett, in the "Fortune" in 1621. The Bassetts cannot claim lineal descent from a "Mayflower" passenger, it being the misfortune of William Bassett to sail from Leyden, in the "Speedwell," and again his misfortune not to be one of those taken on board the "Mayflower" from the leaky, unseaworthy "Speedwell," when the two ships parted company and the "Speedwell" returned to Dartmouth, England, for repairs.

Anselm Bassett, of the seventh generation of Bassetts, in New England, settled at Head of Westport, in Bristol county, about 1813, Taunton, next becoming the family home until the coming of Rufus W. Bassett, of the ninth generation, to Fall River, about 1870. There his son, Thomas Borden Bassett, treasurer of the Stafford Mills Corporation, was born.

The line of descent in this branch is thus traced:

I. William Bassett and his third wife, Elizabeth Tilden.

II. William (2) Bassett and his wife, Mary Burt.

III. William (3) Bassett and his wife, Rachel Willison.

IV. William (4) Bassett and his wife, Abigail Bourne.

V. John Bassett and his wife, Mary.

VI. Thomas Bassett and his wife, Lydia Mendall.

VII. Anselm Bassett, lawyer (Brown University, 1803), and his wife, Rosalinda Holmes.

VIII. Charles Jarvis Holmes Bassett (lawyer and banker) and his wife, Martha B. French.

IX. Rufus W. Bassett and his wife, Harriet Minerva Borden.

X. Thomas Borden Bassett.

Rufus Waterman Bassett was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, July 22, 1853, and died at his home on High street, Fall River, Massachusetts, July 26, 1909. After completing school years, he entered business life as clerk in the office of the Eagle Cotton Company, Taunton, but a few years later, moved to Fall River, where, for several years, he was bookkeeper for the Troy Cotton and Woolen Mills. He then became a partner with Nathan Durfee,

they operating as cotton and cloth brokers, under the firm name, Bassett & Durfee, they being the recognized representative of the American Printing Company. Mr. Bassett was a director of the Metacomet National Bank; Fall River Electric Light Company; and the Richard Borden Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Bassett was a member of the old Common Council, in 1887 and 1889; and was an alderman from the Eighth Ward of his city, 1890-91. He was member of the board of police commissioners, appointed by Governor Murray Crane, June 4, 1902, for a three year term; was named chairman of the board by Governor John L. Bates, June 19, 1903, and served until his term expired. On May 22, 1907, he was re-appointed by Governor Guild and was again made chairman. He was a trustee of the public library from 1891 until February 4, 1901, when he resigned to accept the office of police commissioner. He was a member of the Old Colony Historical Society; a Republican in politics; and a member of the First Congregational Church.

Rufus Waterman Bassett married, September 15, 1882, Harriet Minerva Borden, born June 15, 1856, died October 16, 1904, daughter of Colonel Thomas J. and Mary E. Hill Borden, of Fall River, her father a man whose efficient service in public office, high character in public life and large share in the development of Fall River's business interests placed him among the most valuable citizens of the city, county and State. Mrs. Bassett was a descendant in the eighth generation from Richard Borden, a settler in Portsmouth, Rhode Island; his son, John Borden, a Friend, of Quaker Hill, Rhode Island; his son, Richard (2) Borden, a large landowner; his son, Thomas Borden; his son, Richard (3) Borden, a patriot of the Revolution; his son, Thomas (2) Borden, of Fall River; his son, Colonel Richard Borden, a most prominent citizen and business man of Fall River, married Abby Walker Durfee; their son, Colonel Thomas James Borden, born at Fall River, March 1, 1832, died in the city of his birth, November 21, 1902; married February 20, 1855, Mary Elizabeth Hill, born August 5, 1833, died April 10, 1908, daughter of Ebenezer Allen and Ruth Howland (Slade) Hill, of Slatersville, Rhode Island; their daughter, Harriet Minerva Bassett, married Rufus Waterman Bassett.

Five children were born to Rufus W. and Harriet Minerva (Borden) Bassett: Thomas Borden, of further mention; Frederick Waterman, died, aged nineteen years; Margaret; Charles French, died in infancy; and Constance.

Thomas Borden Bassett, elder son of Rufus W. and Harriet M. (Borden) Bassett, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 24, 1883. He completed a full course of public school study with graduation from B. M. C. Durfee High School, in 1901, going thence to Harvard University, whence he was graduated, A. B., class of 1905. Immediately after graduation, he entered the employ of a Boston banking and brokerage house, continuing in clerical capacity with that firm for a period of four years.

In 1909 he entered the office employ of Nathan Durfee, a cotton and cloth broker of Fall River. That connection continued until Mr. Durfee became identified with the American Printing Company, when the partnership of Bassett & Albro, cotton and cloth brokers, was formed. This association was maintained until Mr. Bassett's withdrawal in 1918 in order to accept election to his present position, treasurer of the Stafford Mills. Mr. Bassett is a trustee of the Fall River Savings Bank; a director of the Metacomet National Bank; a director of the Richard Borden Manufacturing Company; and a director of the Fall River Electric Light Company.

In matters of purely civic interest, Mr. Bassett is both interested and helpful. He is a trustee of the Fall River Public Library; a trustee of the Bradford-Durfee Textile School; trustee of the Home for the Aged; member of the Quequechan and Fall River Country clubs; and is a Republican in political affiliation.

**HENRY D. WALDRON**—The name of Mr. Waldron is well known in Fairhaven, Massachusetts, for while continuing the business of publishing the "Star" and carrying on the printing and publishing business since the death of his father, he has been connected with that paper since his boyhood, with the exception of a short period when he was associated with the Boston "Post."

Mr. Waldron was born in Fairhaven, Massachusetts, on August 8, 1874, son of Charles Dean and Damaris (Urquhart) Waldron, his father a newspaper publisher and printer, who was the founder and owner of the "Star," and who had come from New Bedford, being a native of Fall River. The son was educated in Fairhaven, at the Tabor Academy, Marion, and was graduated from the New Bedford High School with the class of 1894. While still a boy he was apprenticed at the "Star" office, under his father, learning the business thoroughly. This association lasted until the death of his father in 1916, since which time Mr. Waldron has carried on the business, the only break in the connection having occurred when, for six months, Mr. Waldron became associated with the Boston "Post," being employed on that paper from October, 1898, until March, 1899. Mr. Waldron is a progressive citizen and takes an active part in the civic life of the community. For the past twenty years he has been chairman of the Board of Registrars of Voters. Fraternally he is a member of George H. Tabor Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fairhaven; Fairhaven Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, for twelve years having held offices in the former; he has served as secretary of the Fairhaven Improvement Association; and he is a member of the New Bedford Yacht Club, and Rod and Gun Club. He also belongs to the Fairhaven Masonic Club, and the Leighton Club of the same place as well as to other organizations and clubs. Mr. Waldron attends the Church of Christ (Scientist), his wife being a member and a director of the Congregational Church of Fairhaven.



Henry D. Waldron married, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, on June 26, 1906, Elizabeth Clark Holmes, daughter of Ezra and Free love Scott (Barden) Holmes. Mr. and Mrs. Waldron have no children.

**CHARLES CAPRON WILMARTH**—In the business life of Attleboro, Massachusetts, Charles Capron Wilmarth has for many years held a prominent position as an executive of the Walter E. Hayward Company, manufacturing jewelers of international prominence. The foundation of his success in an executive capacity was laid upon a number of years of practical experience in the production branches of the organization, and with his natural ability and this intimate familiarity with every detail of the plant, Mr. Wilmarth has achieved marked success. A member of a family long prominent in business circles in Attleboro, Mr. Wilmarth is a son of Palemon Capron and Harriett Amanda (Robinson) Wilmarth. The father was a butcher and farmer by occupation, also a road surveyor and a prominent figure in the business life of his day in Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Charles Capron Wilmarth was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, May 6, 1850. His education was limited to the advantages of the local public schools, and as a young man he entered the jewelry industry in a minor capacity, working for various concerns of Attleboro. In 1887 he became foreman for the firm then known as Hayward & Sweet, remaining in that capacity for ten years. With the various changes of the organization he has still been identified with the same enterprise practically the entire time since. From 1897 to 1908, a period of eleven years, Mr. Wilmarth was factory superintendent for Walter E. Hayward, and, following the withdrawal of Mr. Hayward from the interest, he was associated with Frank J. Ryder (see biography following) in this same business for about ten years. Mr. Wilmarth then withdrew from the concern, but upon the incorporation of the Walter E. Hayward Company on January 1, 1921, he became president of the organization, in which responsible capacity he still serves. This business has a very long and interesting history. Its inception occurred in the year 1851, and throughout its entire history it has enjoyed a steady and continuous growth. The changing fashions have largely governed the character of the product, but the standards of quality and business integrity which have made the name one of international honor have always remained the same. Mr. Wilmarth was active as factory superintendent for twenty-one years before he became a member of the firm on March 1, 1908, and his ability as an executive was enhanced by the long years of practical experience which lay behind him. Under his administration in 1911, also in 1912 and 1913, additions to the factory building were made which largely increased its capacity, and on March 3, 1913, another interest was taken over by the company, the engine-turning business of F. L. Aeschliman being purchased and since being carried forward under their management.

The product of the Walter E. Hayward Company comprises a standard line of solid gold front and gold plate ladies' and men's jewelry and they are leaders in the manufacture of Waldemar knives. Their present floor space aggregates 26,000 square feet and their goods are sold to the wholesale trade exclusively, being distributed throughout the United States, also in Canada, the Philippine Islands, China, Japan and South America. The personnel of the concern is now (1924) as follows: Charles C. Wilmarth, president; Frank E. Smith, vice-president; Frank J. Ryder, treasurer; and Walter G. Moon, secretary. Mr. Ryder handles the interests of the company in New England, John A. Malcolm in New York and other eastern States, while the Middle West and West are under the management of Elmer S. Smith, these executives having all been identified with the concern for many years. Mr. Wilmarth holds other business affiliations, including a directorship of the Attleboro Trust Company. He is a Republican by political affiliation, but has never been more closely interested in public affairs than is usual as a private citizen. Fraternally he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and has held all offices in the subordinate lodge. He is a member of the Highland Country Club, of Attleboro. His religious affiliation is with the Murray Universalist Church.

Charles Capron Wilmarth married, in Attleboro, Massachusetts, on January 1, 1873, Mary A. Wilmarth, daughter of William Albert and Joanna S. (Carter) Wilmarth, also descended from prominent people long resident in Bristol county, Massachusetts.

**FRANK J. RYDER**, who is treasurer of the firm of Walter E. Hayward Company, stands among the broadly prominent executives of Attleboro, Massachusetts, in the manufacture of jewelry, and his progressive attitude toward all advance-places him in the front rank of progress. Mr. Ryder is a son of Thomas J. Ryder, of Wellsfleet, Massachusetts, a retired sea-faring man and merchant. His early years were spent on the water, and for forty years he was a merchant of Melrose, Massachusetts. This is a very old family of Wellsfleet, and generation after generation the men of this family followed the sea as a means of livelihood. The mother, Mary E. (Rich) Ryder, was born at Truro, Massachusetts, and is also still living.

Frank J. Ryder was born at Melrose, Massachusetts, February 11, 1876. His education was limited to the advantages of the public schools, and, after completing his studies, he spent two years in the employ of the wholesale jewelry concern of A. Stowell & Company of Boston, Massachusetts. Then coming to Attleboro, Mr. Ryder entered the jewelry industry in the employ of Watson & Newell, where he was active for about two years. Thereafter he became identified with the firm of which he is now a leading executive, then owned solely by Walter E. Hayward. For five years he was employed by Mr. Hayward, then became a member of the firm, Charles C. Wilmarth also being re-

ceived into the firm at the same time, the firm name then becoming the Walter E. Hayward Company, an account of which will be found in the preceding sketch of Charles C. Wilmarth.

Mr. Ryder is also a director of the Frank Mossberg Company, the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association and the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade, of Providence, Rhode Island, also the Boston Jewelers' Club. In the general advance Mr. Ryder takes a deep interest, but holds a leading part in few organizations except those of a business nature. He is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association, president and one of the founders of the North Purchase Cemetery, and in political affairs supports the Republican party, although never an aspirant for official honors. During the World War he was captain of the team that secured the largest amount in subscriptions to the Liberty Loan drives. Socially he is identified with the Pomham Club, of Rhode Island, and the Highland Country Club, of Attleboro. He is affiliated with the Universalist church.

Frank J. Ryder married, April 19, 1906, Gertrude M. Fales, of Norton, Massachusetts, daughter of William M. and Lydia M. (Chase) Fales, of Norton, Massachusetts, her father a mason by trade. Mr. and Mrs. Ryder are the parents of four children: Helen H., born June 11, 1912; Frank J., Jr., born July 5, 1917; Elizabeth F., born July 12, 1919; and Mary M., born February 7, 1921.

**WALTER G. POWERS**—The younger professional group of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, is bearing direct significance to the advance of the city and the welfare of the people, and in this group Walter G. Powers is taking a leading position as a member of the law firm of Regan & Powers, with offices in the Taylor building. Mr. Powers is a young man of progressive spirit, interested in all that pertains to public advance. He is a son of Walter Powers, who was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and was active as a member of the Taunton Police Force for a period of thirty-two years, continuing in this connection until his death, which occurred in 1912. The mother, Catherine (Croak) Powers, who was also born in Taunton, is still living.

Walter G. Powers was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1895. Attending first the public schools of his birthplace, and later covering the high school course, he was graduated in the class of 1915. His choice of a profession was early made, and he entered Boston University Law School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1920 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar before the close of the same year, Mr. Powers began the practice of his profession in Boston, in association with the noted law firm of Spaulding-Baldwin & Shaw, and was active in that connection until February, 1921. At that time Mr. Powers returned to Taunton to enter into partnership with Raymond J. Regan, and under the firm name of Regan & Powers they have since carried forward

a prosperous and constantly-increasing practice. In the public life of the community he has borne a constructive part, and as a worker in the ranks of his party, his services and usefulness were recognized by his election to the City Council. He took up his duties in this body in 1920, under the administration of Mayor Coughlin, and his work in the deliberations of the Council was so effective and acceptable that his re-election returned him to this body in 1922, where he still serves. He is a member of the Bar Association of Taunton, and fraternally is a member of the Knights of Columbus, of which he is past grand knight; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the United Commercial Travelers' Association. He is also a member of Boston University Alumni. His religious affiliation is with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

**JAMES EDWARD OSBORN**—The year 1845 marked the arrival of James Monroe Osborn in Fall River, Massachusetts. He quickly secured a foothold in the business life of the town and became one of the important textile manufacturers of that section. He also gave to the textile industry his capable son, James Edward Osborn, whose position in that industry is both important and influential. The family originally settled in Newport, Rhode Island, but later in Tiverton, that State, James M. Osborn being born there. The family is of English ancestry, several Osborns settling in New England—in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. This branch traces descent from Jeremiah Osborn, who settled in Newport, Rhode Island, and there taught school until his death in 1673, the record being preserved by Samuel Hubbard, who wrote, November 8, 1673: "This week two of Christ Church (called Mr. Vahan's) departed to wit: John Turner, and Jeremiah Osborn, Schoolmaster." In the early records the name was spelled Osbon. The line of descent from Jeremiah Osborn to James Edward Osborn of Fall River is thus traced: (I) Jeremiah Osborn, the ancestor; (II) Jeremiah (2); (III) William Osborn; (IV) William (2) Osborn; (V) Thomas Osborn; (VI) James Monroe Osborn; (VII) James Edward Osborn. James Monroe Osborn and his brother, Weaver, were the first of the family to locate in Fall River, Massachusetts, the former in 1845, his brother in 1855, they both being blacksmiths. They bought the shop of Gideon Packard, standing on the present site of the Fall River post office, and continued their smithy there until 1867, when they retired from that activity to give more time to the greater enterprises in which they had become interested. Weaver Osborn was a director of the original Pocasset Bank, was elected president of the Pocasset National Bank in 1873, and held that office many years. He represented his district in the State Senate and won a place in his community second to none.

James Monroe Osborn was born at Tiverton, Rhode Island, August 27, 1822, and died at his home in Fall River, Massachusetts, No. 540 Cherry street, May 13, 1898. He was seven years younger





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than his brother, Weaver, who was a blacksmith, and after school years were over he learned that trade under his brother. At the age of twenty he returned to the farm which had been his home during the first seventeen years of his life, but later worked at his trade in Providence. In 1845 he located at Fall River, where he was in the employ of John Kilburn and Kilburn & Lincoln until 1855. In that year the shop operated by Weaver Osborn at Tiverton, Rhode Island, was destroyed by fire and he then came to Fall River, where the Osborn brothers formed a partnership under the firm name of W. and J. M. Osborn, blacksmiths. In 1859 the partners helped to build the Union Mill, the fore-runner of several other cotton mills erected in Fall River. They became large owners in the Granite Mill and in 1867 became interested in the Merchants' Manufacturing Company, and with others built the Stafford Mill. They discontinued their blacksmith shop in 1871 and that year James M. Osborn was elected a director and the first treasurer of the Slade Mill, and superintended the building of the mill. Osborn Brothers were also interested in founding the Osborn Mill and until 1880 they continued their partnership, but their interests were almost identical.

James M. Osborn was for many years a director of the Globe Yarn Mills, and of the Merchants', Osborn and Stafford companies; president of the Globe and Merchants' companies, and a member of the board of investment of the Five Cent Savings Bank. He was a Whig in politics, later a Republican, was an alderman from 1856-58, and a councilman in 1866 and 1871. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Fall River, 1843-1846, then was dismissed to the Second Baptist Church, of which he was a deacon from 1884-1896. He was chairman of the standing committee of the church for many years and served the congregation well.

Mr. Osborn married, August 9, 1847, Mary B. Chace, born June 11, 1826, daughter of Nathan and Elizabeth (Buffington) Chace, of Somerset. Mr. and Mrs. Osborn were the parents of three children: Anna Elizabeth, who died in infancy; Nathan Chace, who died in early childhood; and James Edward, of further mention. Mr. and Mrs. Osborn are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, she passing away in 1917 at the great age of ninety-two.

James Edward Osborn, of the seventh generation, only son of James Monroe and Mary B. (Chace) Osborn to survive childhood, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, January 24, 1856. In 1859 the home at No. 540 Cherry street was built by James M. Osborn and there he lived until his death in 1898. James E. Osborn was educated in the public schools, finishing with graduation from high school in 1874. He then began his business career as office boy with the Merchants' Manufacturing Company, William H. Jennings then being treasurer. Four years with that company were followed by an association with B. F. Randall & Company, cotton brokers, then, in 1884, he bought the A. B. Sanford interest in the firm of Sanford & Covell, dealers in hardware and mill supplies. The firm

Covell & Osborn was later incorporated, Mr. Osborn being president until July, 1896, when he retired from active connection with the business.

In July, 1896, Mr. Osborn was elected treasurer of the American Linen Company of Fall River, succeeding Philip D. Borden, and in April, 1898, was elected to the same responsible position with the Merchants' Manufacturing Company, succeeding Andrew Borden, offices that he held until October, 1921, when he resigned the treasurership of the American Linen Company. He has acquired other weighty interests, however, and is now treasurer of the Merchants' Manufacturing Company, cotton cloth manufacturers; director of the Stevens' Manufacturing Company; president of the Osborn Mills; director of the Granite Mills of Fall River; the Warren Manufacturing Company of Warren, Rhode Island; the Hill Manufacturing Company of Lewiston, Maine; the New Market Manufacturing Company of New Market, New Hampshire; Fall River Electric Light Company; the B. M. C. Durfee Fruit Company; First National Bank of Fall River; the Parker Mills of Fall River; the Apponaug Printing Company, of Boston; and President of the Fall River Cotton Manufacturers' Association.

Mr. Osborn is a trustee of the Citizens' Savings Bank and Home for Aged People, both well known Fall River institutions. He is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar. His clubs are the Quequechan, of which he is president; Fall River Country; Rhode Island Country and the Acoaxet. In church relation he is connected with Central Congregational Church of Fall River.

On October 12, 1880, Mr. Osborn married Delia S. Carr, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Durfee) Carr, of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Osborn are the parents of four children: 1. Marian, who married Joseph F. Sherer, president of the C. T. Sherer Company, department store merchants of Worcester, Massachusetts, and they have five children: Osborn, Jeanette, Helene, Joseph F., Jr., and Charles T. 2. Helen, who died in infancy. 3. Elizabeth Carr, who married Leeds Burchard, treasurer of the Covell & Osborn Company of Fall River, and they have a daughter, Hope, and a son, William Leeds Burchard. 4. Richard, a sketch of whom follows.

**RICHARD OSBORN**—For three-fourths of a century, a period of great growth and prosperity for Fall River, Massachusetts, the name Osborn has been closely identified with mill promotion and operation and with banking. This prominence began with Weaver and James Monroe Osborn; was continued in the next generation by James E. Osborn, son of James Monroe Osborn, who was active and prominent in the same lines as his father; was treasurer of the American Linen Company and the Merchants' Manufacturing Company, and president of the Covell & Osborn Company, hardware and mill supplies. Richard Osborn, son and contemporary of James E. Osborn, and the present representative of the third generation in the

manufacturing life of Fall River, is a graduate of Yale, A. B. 1914; is president of the Towne, Brayton & Osborn, Inc., cotton merchants, a firm organized in 1916. Mr. Osborn is the son of James E. and Delia S. (Carr) Osborn, grandson of James Monroe and Mary B. (Chace) Osborn, great-grandson of Thomas and Ann (Durfee) Osborn, and great-great-grandson of William and Elizabeth (Shrieve) Osband, as he spelled the name.

Manufacturing came into the family with Weaver and James Monroe Osborn, brothers, originally blacksmiths, and their business relations are described at length in the preceding sketch of James Edward Osborn.

Richard Osborn, only son of James E. and Delia S. (Carr) Osborn (q. v.), was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, July 22, 1891, and there attended the public schools. He prepared at the Westminster School, Simsbury, Connecticut, finishing with graduation in 1910, then entered Yale University, whence he was graduated in the class of 1914. He then entered Fall River's business circle and became assistant treasurer of the firm of Towne, Brayton & Osborn, Inc., organized in January, 1916, Mr. Towne president, Edward Brayton treasurer. The firm are cotton merchants, located at No. 24 Bedford street, Fall River. Mr. Towne died in January, 1919, Mr. Osborn then succeeding to the presidency, an office he is capably filling. He was one of the incorporators of the Citizens' Savings Bank, and is gaining high reputation as a business executive.

In 1917 Mr. Osborn attended Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg and Fortress Monroe, but on account of sickness he was honorably discharged in September of that year. He had previously served (1915) as an ambulance driver in the Fifth Regional Red Cross service with the French Army, and assisted in the organization of a French hospital at Passy, Yonne, France, later known as Hospital No. 32, its capacity one hundred and twenty beds. He is a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Skull and Bones (Yale), Lions Club of Fall River, Fall River Country Club, Quequechan Club, the Yale Club of Boston, and is an attendant of the Congregational church.

Mr. Osborn married, at Fall River, October 20, 1917, Eleanor Shove, of that city, daughter of Charles M. and Laura (Gross) Shove, and a descendant of Rev. George Shove, a son of Margery Shove, widow, who was admitted to the church at Boston in 1638. Rev. Shove married Hopestill Newman, daughter of Rev. Samuel Newman, a distinguished divine of Roxbury. Mrs. Osborn traces her descent from Rev. George and Hopestill (Newman) Shove through their son, Edward Shove, and his wife, Lydia Witherall; their son, Theophilus Shove, for half a century a minister of the Society of Friends, and his wife, Philadelphia Osborn; their son, Clarke Shove, and his wife, Lydia Purinton; their son Clarke Shove, and his wife, Elizabeth Slade; their son, Charles O. Shove, and his wife, Rachel E. Haines; their son, Charles M. Shove, and his second wife, Laura Gross; their daughter, Eleanor Shove, wife of Richard Osborn, of previous mention. Her father, Charles M. Shove, is a prominent manufacturer and financier of Fall River, now president of the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Osborn are the parents of a son, Richard Osborn, Jr., born September 20, 1918 and a daughter, Mary Shove, born June 25, 1920. The Osborn home is at No. 431 Rock street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**LEWIS MASON WITHERELL**—As the head of one of the most progressive firms of Taunton, Massachusetts, the name of Mr. Witherell is well known, for, besides his business activities, he is prominently associated with many of the leading financial organizations as well as with the fraternal activities of the community.

Mr. Witherell was born in Berkley, Massachusetts, on July 17, 1851, son of George Lewis and Lucy Mason (Thrasher) Witherell, and received his education in the town school of Berkley, the high school of Taunton, and the Bristol Academy. After learning the trade of carpenter with Z. Sherman, he became associated and formed a partnership with Mr. Barnaby, under the firm name of Barnaby & Witherell, conducting a general contracting and building business. Mr. Barnaby had formerly been associated with a Mr. Pinkerton, under the firm name of Pinkerton & Barnaby, but after the death of Mr. Pinkerton, Mr. Barnaby ran it alone for a few years, and in 1881 took in as a partner Mr. Witherell, Sr. In 1883, when Mr. Barnaby died, Mr. Witherell bought out the heirs' interests in the business, and continued the same under his own name until 1911, when he admitted his two sons into the business and the firm name was changed to L. M. Witherell & Sons. The business is located at No. 29 Court street, and employs upwards of eighty people.

Mr. Witherell has always lived up to high ideals in his dealings with his fellow-men, both in personal and business ways. To his credit as contractor and builder are standing some of the best residences and manufacturing plants, as well as educational buildings, in Taunton and its vicinity. Some of these are: The residences of Walter C. Baylies, Esq., Mrs. Charles T. Newbury, and Miss Harriet Newbury, also the residence of Mrs. George T. Hartshorn, of which he also made the plans, the Crocker building, Wilbur building, H. L. Davis Company building, Young Men's Christian Association building, Winthrop Club House, and the dining-hall, the Lucy Larcum dormitory and the chapel at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts.

Mr. Witherell has always been interested in Taunton's welfare, having served on many committees, and has been one of Taunton's delegates to the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Convention for several years. He is a member of the Corporation of Bristol County Savings Bank; director of Taunton Morris Plan Bank; and of the Taunton Co-Operative Bank. Fraternally he is a member and past master of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; member and past high priest of St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar; Boston Consistory, in which he holds the thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish



Rite; and he is past patron of the Rose Croix Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. He is also a member of Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; of the Old Colony Historical Society; and of the Taunton Auto, Winthrop, Rotary and Yacht clubs, in the latter of which he is past commodore. In his religious affiliation he was brought up from his boyhood to attend the Methodist church.

Lewis Mason Witherell married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, on May 5, 1878, Josephine Seaman, daughter of Noble and Mary (Snow) Seaman. Mr. and Mrs. Witherell are the parents of four children: Lucy Josephine, born August 28, 1880, now Mrs. Myron Hill; Lewis Mason, Jr., a sketch of whom follows; Robert Carlton, a sketch of whom appears on the same page; and Florence Gertrude, born October 3, 1891, now Mrs. Charles R. Williams.

**LEWIS MASON WITHERELL, Jr.**, since 1911, has been one of the junior members of the firm of L. M. Witherell & Sons, his father being the head of the firm, and his brother the other member.

Lewis M. Witherell, Jr., was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, on April 19, 1886, son of Lewis M. and Josephine (Seaman) Witherell, the latter a native of Pugwash, Nova Scotia, his father, a contractor and builder, a native of Berkeley, Massachusetts. The son was educated in the public schools and high school of his native town, being graduated from the latter with the class of 1905. His further studies were conducted under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Boston, where he took extension courses in plan reading and estimating. He early joined his father in his business, learning the building trade, and in 1911 was admitted to the firm. (For history of concern see preceding sketch of Lewis M. Witherell, Sr.).

Mr. Witherell is active in the civic, fraternal, and club life of the city, is public-spirited, and lends his services and support to all movements that are for the progressive development of the community. He is a member of the corporation of the Bristol County Savings Bank, and is a director of the Taunton Boat Club. He is also a member of the Taunton Auto Club, the Taunton Yacht Club, the Taunton Winthrop Club, and the Segregansett Country Club. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is affiliated with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, being a past master; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; and St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island. In his religious affiliation he attends the Broadway Congregational Church.

Lewis M. Witherell, Jr., married, June 5, 1915, Carlotta H. Hemenway, of Providence, Rhode Island, daughter of Herbert L. and Alice (Spaulding) Hemenway.

**ROBERT CARLTON WITHERELL**—One of the junior members of the firm of L. M. Witherell

& Sons, Mr. Witherell is active in the fraternal, club and religious life of his community, which he also served in a military capacity during the great World War.

Robert Carlton Witherell was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, on January 2, 1888, son of Lewis Mason and Josephine (Seaman) Witherell, his father (q. v.) being the senior member of the firm of L. M. Witherell & Sons, general contractors and builders. He was educated in the public schools of Taunton, having attended the Summer Street Primary School; Cohannet Grammar School, and the Taunton High School, from the latter of which he graduated in 1905. He then spent five years at evening school, in Taunton, studying architectural drawing, and devoted two years to evening school study at the Young Men's Christian Association of Boston, taking courses in estimating. His efforts have always been in the building line, having worked, during his vacations while at school, with his father, and so continuing, after his graduation from high school, until 1911, when the firm of L. M. Witherell & Sons was formed, his older brother, Lewis M. Witherell, Jr., (see preceding biography) being admitted with himself into their father's firm. Since the enlargement of the firm, the business offices, shops and storehouses have been augmented to meet the greater volume of business that has been developed, and the advent of the sons into the business has seen a marked advance in its progress and success.

Robert Carlton Witherell is a member of the corporation of the Bristol County Savings Bank. He was captain of Company A, Taunton High School Cadets, in 1904-1905; belonged to the Massachusetts State Guard at the time of the World War, and served as first sergeant of Dighton Company at the time of his honorable discharge, which was the period of disbandment. He is a life-member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and of St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, being also past high priest of the latter, having served as high priest during 1919-1921. He is a member of Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; and also of Taunton Council, being present principal conductor of the work of the latter; St. John's Commandery, No. 1, Knights Templar; Rose Croix Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, being past patron of this latter; and he is also a member of Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In his club activities he is a member of the Taunton Boat Club; the Winthrop Club; the Taunton Yacht Club, of which he is vice-commodore; the Taunton Automobile Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, and is a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society. He is a member of the Trinitarian Congregational Church, Inc., being on the standing committee of the same; his wife is a member of the Episcopal church, but Mr. and Mrs. Witherell and their two children attend services at the Trinitarian Congregational Church.

Robert Carlton Witherell married, at Taunton, Massachusetts, on June 26, 1912, Rachel Austin

Walker, daughter of Fernando Arthur and Jane Augusta (Lawton) Walker. Mr. and Mrs. Witherell are the parents of two children: Elizabeth Lawton, born June 30, 1915; and Paul Walker, born September 26, 1918.

**GEORGE CLIFFORD KING, M.D.**—Although Dr. King is a native son of the old Bay State, he did not locate at Fall River until 1912, and here in the decade which has since elapsed he has won high reputation as a specialist in the treatment of diseases of infants and children. He came to this city after an experience of three years following graduation from medical school, years spent in study and research in connection with the diseases of children in Boston hospitals. To that form of practice he has devoted his professional learning and skill with such good results that he holds a leading position with the ablest specialists in the State.

Dr. King is a grandson of George and Julia (Regan) King, the former of English birth, but for many years a resident of Newton, Massachusetts. Among his children was a son, Jacob W. King, born August 13, 1860, in Newton, Massachusetts, where his entire life was passed. He, early in his business career, became associated with the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Company, of Newton Upper Falls, becoming manager of the company, which he has now served for forty years. Jacob W. King married, June 17, 1885, Elizabeth Clifford, born June 17, 1864, and they are the parents of ten children, the eldest a son, George Clifford, whose career is herein reviewed.

George Clifford King, eldest son of Jacob W. and Elizabeth (Clifford) King, was born in Newton Highlands, Massachusetts, April 21, 1886. He completed a course of public school study with graduation from Newton High School in 1905, then in the fall following entered Tufts Medical College, whence he was graduated, M. D., class of 1909. He then served Boston City Hospital as interne for sixteen months, following that service with three months in Boston Contagious Hospital. The summer of 1911 he spent with Boston Floating Hospital, then for three months he was in charge of the Children's Out-Patient Department of Massachusetts General Hospital, and subsequently was assistant in the Orthopedic Out-Patient Department of Boston Children's Hospital. He has spent these years in preparation for the practice of his profession as a specialist in infants' and children's diseases, and feeling that he was fully equipped for beginning an independent line of practice, he, on January 16, 1912, opened offices at No. 57 Rock street, Fall River, Massachusetts, and then began the private practice of his profession as a specialist. The years have brought him professional reputation and many honors for his ability in his special line of practice, being fully recognized in his city by both the profession and the laymen. On August 1, 1919, he first occupied his new home and offices at No. 150 Purchase street, his present location.

Dr. King is a member and in 1921 was president

of the Fall River Medical Society; member of the Massachusetts Medical Society; New England Pediatric Society; and the American Medical Association. Since first locating in Fall River, Dr. King has been a member of the Pediatric Department of the Union Hospital, and chief of the department for seven years. He is a member of the Infant Welfare Commission, appointed by Mayor Talbot, and in his private and official capacity has done a great deal to reduce infant mortality in Fall River. He is Independent in political action, a member of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, the Quequechan and the Fall River Country clubs.

Dr. King married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, October 10, 1916, Mary Estelle Hudner, daughter of Michael T. and Helena (Kennedy) Hudner, and they are the parents of four children, all born at Fall River: Helen May, born August 27, 1917; George Clifford, born May 9, 1919; Thomas Hudner, born December 3, 1920, and William Richard, born February 2, 1923.

The professional career of Dr. King, thus briefly outlined, has been one of honorable success, devotion and hard work. He does not spare himself, but meets every demand of humanity upon his skill possible, and he is ever the student seeking for greater knowledge.

**WILLIAM FREDERICK POMROY DELANO**, a scion of the American House of Delano, has in his possession the coat-of-arms, in which the unicorn figures prominently, of one of his earliest ancestors, Delano de Lannoy. The name Delano is derived from the town of Lannoy, which is situated a few miles from Lille, France. In A. D. 863 this town was called Alnetum, later L'Annois and Lannoy. The meaning of the word is unknown; it has been variously spelled L'Annois, L'Annoe, L'Aulnais, L'Aulnoy, but more often Alnetum. At Plymouth the name appeared as de la Noye, but on the tongues and in the writing of the English-speaking people of the colony the three syllables were soon joined and the last two letters dropped, which gave the present form Delano. Various spelling of the name are found in the early records of New England.

The progenitor of the family was Hugues de Lannoy, the first Lord of Lannoy, and mentioned as a knight of Tournai d'Aulcin in 1096. Special pains have been taken in investigating the origin and early history of the family in France, and several well authenticated pedigrees have been traced which show that Philip Delano or Delanoy, the Pilgrim forefather of the family in America, was descended through many ancestors of royal blood.

From Arnulphe de Franchmont his ancestry is traced through fourteen generations and includes Hugues de Lannoy (1311); Jean, Chamberlain to the Emperor Charles V; and Gysbert de Lannoy, of Roman Catholic parents, who became Protestant and was disinherited by his father. For all these centuries the Delanoy family remained pure Norman and Flemish blood, never intermarrying with the French race.





*James H. Lillard.*



Another line is from Huolf, first Duke of the Normans, a Viking, A. D. 860, and numbers among the kings of England William the Conqueror, Henry I, Henry II, Henry V. and Henry VI, whose wife Agnes was a descendant of Alfred the Great, and connects with the previous line through Hugues de Lannoy (1311).

He is also a descendant of Charlemagne. The line begins in 611 with St. Arnoul and follows through Charles Martel, Duke of the Franks; Pepin, "the Short," King of France; Emperor Charlemagne; Pepin and Bernard, Kings of Italy; Hugues Capet and Robert, the Saint, Kings of France; Henry III, Henry IV, Henry V, and Henry VI.

Other pedigrees connect Philip Delano with Priam, King of France, in 382, and with Guelph, Prince of the Scyri, A. D. 476.

The history of the Delano family in the United States dates back to Philip Delano, who was born in Leyden, Holland, 1602. The family were French Protestants, or Huguenots, and went to Leyden to escape persecution in France, where the Catholic party was in power and the Inquisition active. Philip Delano grew up under the teachings of the Separatists of the Established Church of England, who fled to Holland in 1608, and thus he became associated with the Pilgrims who came over in the "Mayflower." It is believed that he started for America in the "Speedwell," the companion ship of the "Mayflower," but it became unseaworthy and was obliged to put back to Plymouth. When the "Fortune" sailed for America in 1621, Philip Delano, then nineteen years old, came in her. He was granted an acre of land in 1624 at Plymouth, but later gave it up and settled in Duxbury, Massachusetts, where on October 2, 1637, he was granted a farm of forty acres adjoining the Alden's. He was admitted a freeman, January 1, 1632-33. He was often employed as surveyor of lands, frequently served on the grand jury, and was a volunteer in the Pequot War, June 7, 1637. He died at Bridgewater, Massachusetts, about 1681. His first wife was Hester (Dewsbury) Delano, of Duxbury, whom he married December 19, 1634, and by whom he had eight children: Mary; Esther; Philip, Jr.; Thomas, married Mary Alden; John; James; Jonathan; and Rebecca. By this second marriage in 1657 to Mary (Pontus) Glass, he had a son Samuel, who married Elizabeth Standish.

From Philip Delano is descended Joshua Delano, Sr., whose seventh son, Charles Delano, was married (first) at Fairhaven, Bristol county, Massachusetts, December 4, 1813, to Sally Blossom, daughter of Benjamin and Rebecca (Toby) Blossom. Of this first marriage there were two children: Isabella Man, born August 14, 1814, and Charles Francis, born August 26, 1816. Charles Delano was married (second) to Desire Wrightington, a daughter of Richard and Deborah Wrightington, at Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Of this second marriage there were eight children, as follows: 1. George Frederick, born March 26, 1821, died August 24, 1821. 2. Frederick Pomroy, of whom further. 3. Roland Tyson,

born October 21, 1826. 4. Henry Alden, born July 16, 1828. 5. George, born December 27, 1829. 6. Edward Collins, born May 10, 1832. 7. William Baxter, born January 18, 1835. 8. John, born June 8, 1836, died January 23, 1839.

Frederick Pomroy Delano, son of Charles and Desire (Wrightington) Delano, was born in June, 1823. He became a sea captain. He married Mary Richardson Almy, and they were the parents of William Frederick Pomroy, of whom further.

William Frederick Pomroy Delano, son of Frederick P. and Mary Richardson (Almy) Delano, was born at Fairhaven, Bristol county, Massachusetts, January 4, 1865. His education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, following which he engaged in business until February, 1920, when he received the appointment of health officer, a position which he fills with ability and still holds at the present time (1923). During the World War he was appointed the local representative of the Massachusetts Soldiers' and Sailors' Information Bureau, serving as chairman of the Fairhaven committee from 1917 to the end of the war. Mr. Delano is also a member of the Committee of Public Safety. He is a member of the Layman League, and for his excellent work during the late war he was elected an honorary member of Post No. 166, American Legion. Mr. Delano's religious affiliations are with the Unitarian church.

As a sincere citizen, Mr. Delano has always given his financial aid and personal support to any movement of a worthy nature that has as its motive the upbuilding of his home town, morally and actually. He has done much in the interests of public welfare, civic betterment, and municipal improvement.

**JAMES HUTCHINSON GILDARD, SR.**—The business career of James Hutchinson Gildard, Sr., is unique in that among its many ramifications he has founded and established four separate and distinct businesses—a record hardly to be paralleled and probably not excelled throughout the New England States. Each business has been developed and brought up to a flourishing and satisfactory status, and, collectively, they form a great asset to the city of Fall River. In achieving these enviable results, Mr. Gildard has not only earned for himself a well-deserved place among Fall River's most prominent and progressive citizens, but, by the variety and scope of his separate businesses, has contributed to a great extent to the commercial and industrial advance of his adopted city.

James Hutchinson Gildard was born at Lincoln, Rhode Island, on July 28, 1877, a son of Christopher Giles and Mary Ann (Hutchinson) Gildard. The father, Christopher Giles Gildard, was a master mechanic at King Philip Mills, Fall River, Massachusetts, for a period of twenty-one years. He was also an inventor of considerable note, one well known invention of his being the Coldwell & Gildard Electric Stop Motion. He also had a number of other patent articles which he had designed, improved and invented. His death occurred in 1921.

James Hutchinson Gildard absorbed the fundamentals of his education in the Slade Grammar School of Fall River, Massachusetts, supplementing the theoretical with practical education when he left school at the age of twelve and started on his business career. He was first employed as a hill-horse boy with the Fall River Street Railway Company, remaining in this connection for about one year. He then found employment in the Edmund Whitehead Market, corner of Spring and South Main streets. Here he worked for one and one-half years as a delivery clerk. At the end of this time he became associated with the firm of Hunter & Allardice, with which concern he served a two years' apprenticeship, learning the carpenter's trade. Following this, he served another apprenticeship of two years and nine months duration with the firm of Miller & Johnston, where he learned the plumbing trade, and after passing examinations he became a journeyman plumber and in this capacity worked for a period of two years. Fully mastering the plumbing trade, and having become familiar with all of its many branches, Mr. Gildard decided to establish his own business, which he did in 1899. The venture was successful from the very start, and under Mr. Gildard's expert supervision and management it grew rapidly and soon became known as one of the finest of its kind in Bristol county. Up until the year 1908 Mr. Gildard had carried on the business under his own name, but during that year he changed the name of the concern to the American Plumbing and Heating Company, under which name, today, it is well and widely known. Mr. Gildard has acted as treasurer of the business since its inception, and at the present time (1924) is still serving in that capacity. Not content with one successful business enterprise to his credit, Mr. Gildard founded and became treasurer of the American Roll Covering Company, located at No. 26 Tripp street; the Ideal Auto Painting Company, on Arch street; and the American Motor Car Company, at No. 912 South Main street, all of Fall River, Massachusetts. As founder and treasurer of four successful business enterprises, the name of James Hutchinson Gildard stands high among the prominent business men of Bristol county today.

Politically, Mr. Gildard has always been a staunch Republican, and has been an indefatigable worker in the interests of his chosen party. While never a seeker of political preferment, yet in the year 1908 he was elected an alderman-at-large of Ward Two, Fall River, and as such, filled his office with great credit. During the late World War he was a member of Company I of the National Guard of the State of Massachusetts, and with his command did guard duty in the United States.

Fraternally, Mr. Gildard has been especially prominent in Masonic circles. His career as a Mason has been one of great distinction as is evinced by the following list of affiliations: Narragansett Blue Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Royal Arch Chapter; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Command-

ery, No. 25, Knights Templar; Fall River Lodge of Perfection; St. Andrew Chapter, Rose Croix; Samuel C. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem; Massachusetts Consistory; Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Azab Grotto; and the Pioneer Blue Lodge, of Somerset, Massachusetts. He is also a member of the Quequechan Club, of Fall River, Massachusetts.

James Hutchinson Gildard, Sr., married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1899, Ella Frances Watters, a daughter of George and Josephine (Turner) Watters. James Hutchinson and Ella Frances (Watters) Gildard are the parents of three children, as follows: James Hutchinson, Jr., born in 1901; Dorothy Frances, born in 1903; and Ruth Elizabeth, born in 1910. Mr. and Mrs. James H. Gildard are members of the Episcopal church, of Fall River, Massachusetts, and are active in the social circles of their community.

**WILLIAM HENRY SAART**—In two separate and important fields of endeavor, William Henry Saart, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, has attained wide prominence, and in his success is contributing in a marked degree to the general prosperity. As a manufacturer of jewelry in Attleboro, he is a leading figure in the trade, and has one of the really important and wide-reaching business interests of this jewelry center. He is the owner of the Mirimichi Poultry Farm, where seventy-five acres are devoted exclusively to the breeding of fine feathered stock, and Mr. Saart has in a comparatively short period won international repute.

Mr. Saart is a son of Frank A. and Mary (Hanson) Saart, both natives of Germany. The father, who was a bookkeeper by occupation, died in 1912, and the mother in 1915. They came to America as young people and settled permanently in Attleboro, Massachusetts, where they spent their lives and where they died.

William Henry Saart, son of these parents, was born in Germany, September 12, 1866. Only five years of age when the family came to this country, Mr. Saart's education was received in the public schools of Attleboro, Massachusetts, where he gained a practical preparation for a career. When he was still scarcely more than a boy, Mr. Saart entered the employ of one of the leading manufacturing concerns of Attleboro, and for a number of years was thus active in that community, and also in North Attleboro, working for various firms, among others, Draper & Franklin, as foreman, and the James E. Blake Company, of Attleboro, as foreman. In 1905 Mr. Saart established his own interest as a manufacturer of jewelry, silverware and silver novelties. Beginning on a small scale with his plant on County street, Mr. Saart carried the business forward very successfully, indeed his progress was so rapid that only a few years had passed before he was compelled to make extensive arrangements for expansion. He bought the structure which he now occupies at No. 20 Forrest street, and in this modern and splendidly-equipped factory, containing about 20,000 square feet of floor space, he occupies the entire two



floors and employs one hundred and fifty people. The product goes to all parts of the United States. On March 31, 1916, the enterprise became a corporation, Mr. Saart receiving into the organization his two brothers, Hermand and Albert G. From his early start, when he employed only six hands, to his present eminence as a leading manufacturer in his field in the United States, Mr. Saart has developed this interest by his own energy and ability, and in his success the city of Attleboro receives honor, as well as the man himself receiving large credit. Mr. Saart is interested further in the business world of Attleboro as a director and president of the Chamber of Commerce, and as president of the Attleboro Investors Association, also of the Attleboro Athletic Association and Attleboro Poultry Association.

For many years Mr. Saart's recreative interests have followed the line of poultry breeding, and in 1911 he established Mirimichi Poultry Farm, located in a beautiful rolling country, three and one-half miles from Attleboro and nearly as far from the town of Foxboro, on the shore of the charming Lake Mirimichi. There Mr. Saart has developed one of the attractive places of New England, from the poultry breeder's point of view, and he produces Single Comb Rhode Island Reds, White Plymouth Rocks and White Wyandottes. Employing the most approved modern methods of selection, he has built up a wonderfully efficient flock or "strain," both viewed as utility birds or by the standards of the showroom. He has taken some of the premiums which are enviously regarded by every poultry fancier, including winnings at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, at San Francisco, California, November 18, 1915. It is interesting to note that to show these specimens from his flock in this exposition, Mr. Saart was compelled to ship them a distance of more than 3,000 miles, and when it is considered that poultry deteriorates in appearance very rapidly when not under the most constant and careful attention, it is indeed remarkable that of the eleven birds shipped nine were placed under the ribbons. In this connection the Saart poultry won first cock in a class of twenty-nine, first and second pullet in a class of sixty-one, third pen in a class of twenty-three, and seventh hen in a class of twenty-five. They also won a gold medal for the champion pullet of the show, all classes competing. "Red Chief," the winning cock-bird, was pronounced by visiting experts to be the finest specimen ever shown, and the pullet winning the first championship was pronounced by Judge Card to be the finest specimen he ever handled. These awards were given Single Comb Rhode Island Reds by three judges—Card, Shove and Tucker.

In every interest of the community, Mr. Saart is a forward-looking, broad-minded, public-spirited citizen. He is affiliated with many branches of advance, and is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, of which he has been director for three years and has also served as president. He is a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association, the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, and the Jewelers' Board of Trade, of Providence, Rhode Island. He has for some years been a member at large of the City Council, elected on the Republican ticket, and twice has been a candidate for mayor, but on account

of the strength of the Democratic party and the popularity of their candidate, he lost by a small minority. Mr. Saart is a strong Republican, having supported this party, and has been a loyal worker in its ranks since his majority, and he has for some years been a member of the Republican City Committee. In those lines of activity which carry neither honors nor remuneration, Mr. Saart is a leading figure, and during the World War he gave largely of his time and energies, as well as his means, to advance the work of the Liberty Loan drives and the Red Cross. He has always been an enthusiastic promoter of out-door athletics of all forms, especially baseball, in which game he is considered one of the foremost promoters of Bristol county. Fraternally Mr. Saart is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston. He has for thirty-five years been a member of the Knights of Pythias; and he is a charter member of Attleboro Lodge, No 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is socially prominent, being a member of the West Side Club.

Mr. Saart married (first), in 1886, Anna Dietz, who was born in North Attleboro, and died, leaving one daughter, Anna, now the wife of Warren Binford, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Mr. Saart married (second), in North Attleboro, Carrie Schlavoigt, who was born at North Attleboro, and is now deceased. He married (third), in 1917, Alice G. Hines, who was born at Woonsocket, Rhode Island. Mrs. Saart is also a leading figure in local welfare work and social activities.

**JOHN H. BARROWS**—For forty-six years identified with the same industrial concern in New Bedford, Massachusetts, John H. Barrows is well known in the manufacturing world of Bristol county, Massachusetts. Entering this organization immediately following the completion of his education, Mr. Barrows has risen through the various departments and now holds the responsible position of treasurer of the Taunton-New Bedford Copper Company.

A native of New Bedford, Massachusetts, Mr. Barrows is a member of a very old family of this section. He is a son of John N. Barrows, who was born in New Bedford, and died in 1884. He was throughout his lifetime a wholesale grocer, and was widely prominent in this field of commercial endeavor. The mother, Sarah M. (Dean) Barrows, was born in Raynham, Massachusetts, and died in 1914, at the age of eighty-eight years. This also is a very old name in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and the maternal line of Mrs. Barrows was distinguished for long lives. Her mother lived to be ninety-one years of age, and her grandmother ninety-four.

John H. Barrows was born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, May 31, 1860. His education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace, and as a young man he entered the employ of the New Bedford Copper Company. This was in 1877, and, taking a minor position in the office of the concern, Mr. Barrows gave every effort to the responsibilities placed in his hands, with the result that he won promotion steadily

and became a permanent member of the organization. In 1900, when the New Bedford Copper Company was consolidated with the Taunton Copper Company under the present name. Mr. Barrows remained with the concern and was made assistant treasurer. This position he held for many years, and in 1919 was elected treasurer of the organization, the position which he now ably fills. In this important industrial center the Taunton-New Bedford Copper Company holds a leading position, and data of the enterprise appears in another part of this work. As a leading business executive in New Bedford, Mr. Barrows is influential in various branches of advance, and has for some years been identified with the New Bedford Five Cent Savings Bank as trustee. In the public life of the city he has been prominent for many years, and is a leader of the affairs of the Republican party. He was brought forward in the nineties as a member of the City Council from Ward Three, and, serving in this body for nine years, he acted as its president in 1894. He also served as alderman for two years, and at various times has been active on the school committee. Fraternally he is identified with the Pacific Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of New Bedford, and he is a prominent member of the Dartmouth Club. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Barrows married, in 1884, Laura E. Allan, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, daughter of Robert and Laura A. (Davis) Allan, of this city, and they are the parents of four children: Rachael M.; Sarah D.; Laura D.; and Allan, who served during the World War in the United States Navy in the mine service, having a rating of quartermaster of the first class.

**ISAAC NEWTON BABBITT**, inventor, manufacturer and industrial executive, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, on February 19, 1872, a son of James M. and Isabel (Hargraves) Babbitt. Mr. Babbitt, Sr., was likewise an inventor, having invented and perfected a machine for the manufacture of loom cranks. He was engaged in the manufacture of loom cranks throughout his lifetime and up until the time of his death, which occurred at Fairhaven, Massachusetts, in 1917. Isaac Newton Babbitt's paternal grandparents were Isaac N. and Almira (Morse) Babbitt, the latter a relative of the Morse of telegraph fame. His grandparents on his mother's side of the family were Robert and Elizabeth (Standing) Hargraves, representatives of an old New England family. Ancestors of both prominent families were early settlers in Bristol county.

Isaac Newton Babbitt's early education was obtained in the public schools of Fall River, following which he entered and was graduated from the Durfee High School. Upon the completion of his academic studies he secured a position in a local meat and grocery store, later entering the employ of L. W. Mason as a regular store clerk in the latter's grocery business. In December, 1890, he apprenticed himself to Babbitt, Wood & Company to learn boiler manufacturing and machine-shop work. Joseph M. Babbitt, his uncle, was the founder of this well known company. So thoroughly did Isaac N. Babbitt learn the business in all its phases, and so diligently did he apply himself, that

when the company was divided in October, 1907, he was given the important position of treasurer of the Babbitt Steam Specialty Company, one of the two divisions. The factory and offices of the Babbitt Steam Specialty Company are located at the corner of Water and Spring streets, and the present officers are John A. Stitt, president, and Isaac Newton Babbitt, treasurer and general manager. The output of the factory is made up of power plant specialties. In 1915 Mr. Babbitt designed and perfected the Babbitt Adjustable Sprocket Rim, which is now widely known and in general use.

Outside of his business Mr. Babbitt has taken an active and interested part in public affairs, having for many years served his city well as an assessor. At the present time he is selectman for the town of Fairhaven, Massachusetts, and has discharged the duties of this office with his usual efficiency for a period of seven years.

Fraternally, Mr. Babbitt has been especially active and interested in things Masonic, being a member in good standing of the George H. Tabor Lodge, No. 320, Free and Accepted Masons, and is a past master of this body. He is also a Knight Templar and a Shriner, and served as the first president of the Fairhaven Masonic Club. He is a member and a past worthy patron of the Gifford Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, of Fairhaven, Massachusetts. His clubs include the Rotary Club and the Leighton Club of Fairhaven. He was a director for many years of the New Bedford Young Men's Christian Association, and is the present incumbent of the president's chair of the Fairhaven Mutual Aid Society. He also holds membership in the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers. Mr. Babbitt's religious affiliation is given to the Congregational church.

Isaac Newton Babbitt was married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, on August 15, 1894, to Eva F. Healey, daughter of Valentine and Phoebe W. (Dwelly) Healey, and to them were born the following children: 1. Frank M., born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, on June 14, 1895; graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the year 1920. During the late World War he served with distinction in the American Expeditionary Forces as a lieutenant with an engineer's corps of the United States Army. He is now associated with his father in business and has charge of production at the Fairhaven factory. 2. Edwin V., who was born at Fairhaven, Massachusetts, on July 15, 1897. He was graduated from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute with the class of 1922. He also is associated with his father in business. Edwin V. Babbitt married, and is the father of one child: Robert T., born at Fairhaven, Massachusetts, on June 4, 1921.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Newton Babbitt and their sons are active in the work of their church and in the social circles of their community. The family residence is at Fairhaven, while Mr. Babbitt's business interests are at New Bedford, Massachusetts.

**THEODORE W. CASH**—The group of progressive and forward-looking executives which comprise the jewelry industry of the Attleboros, in Bristol county, Massachusetts, includes many men whose names are worthy of marked distinction, for in their endeavor



ors the prosperity of this section has been largely augmented and the present pre-eminence of the associated cities in this industry has been achieved. Theodore W. Cash, who stands at the head of the Ballou Manufacturing Company, of Attleboro, is a thoroughly representative figure in this executive group, and his leadership of the firm of which he is the head is a noteworthy example of efficiency and well-directed energy.

Mr. Cash is a son of David A. Cash, who was born at Suffolk Falls. He was active as a jeweler throughout his lifetime, the greater part of his career having been spent in Attleboro, Massachusetts. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having served in a Rhode Island infantry regiment. His death occurred in 1911. His wife, Helen (Stewart) Cash, was born in the State of New York, and survived her husband for several years, passing away in the year 1917.

Theodore W. Cash was born in Attleboro, Massachusetts, January 25, 1871. His education was received in the public schools of this city, and following the completion of his studies he was employed in the watch-case factory of Bates & Bacon, where he learned the trade of engraver. After two years in this connection, Mr. Cash went to Sag Harbor, New York, where he was active for about one year. He then returned to Attleboro and spent three years with the S. W. Gould Company, then with the S. O. Bigney Company, of Attleboro, for nineteen years. During the greater part of that time he acted as foreman of the engraving department, and in this capacity he bore a definite part in the progress of the concern. Mr. Cash then identified himself with the Ballou Manufacturing Company, which was established in the year 1907, its first location being in the Tappen Building, on Union street. They removed to their present location, No. 94 County street, in 1917, and there they occupy one floor, employing about forty people. This concern, which was founded by Mr. A. E. M. Ballou, was incorporated in the year 1910, and Mr. Cash is president and treasurer of the corporation. They manufacture a general line of jewelry, comprising links, locketts, and novelties of many kinds, and they are among the leaders in bringing out the specialties which meet the demands of any popular fad. The concern has enjoyed a steady growth since its inception, and is one of the large producers in its field in Attleboro today. Mr. Cash is a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association; the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade, of Providence, Rhode Island; and the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Cash supports the Republican party in political affairs, and for three years was with Company I, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. Fraternally he is affiliated with Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious affiliation is with the Second Congregational Church.

Mr. Cash married, in 1895, Hattie L. Fiske, of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of two children: Harold G., born in 1898; and George T., born in 1903.

**ELLIS (2) GIFFORD**, through his ownership of the long-established jewelry store of C. E. Gifford & Company, is one of the foremost business men of to-

day in Fall River, Massachusetts. The business is the oldest retail store in the city still owned by the family of the founders, and was established in the year 1836 by Ellis (1) Gifford, originally of Falmouth, Massachusetts, where his forefathers settled about 1648.

Ellis (1) Gifford came to Fall River about 1830, and engaged in watch and clock repairing in a shop located at No. 1 South Main street, and from this modest beginning grew the well and widely known establishment of today. Ellis Gifford was married in 1836 to Abbie Chase, and to them were born ten children: Charles E.; Phoebe S. (Mrs. Henry Aydelot); Benjamin S. C., now treasurer and manager of Allen Slade & Company; Edmund C.; Abbie E.; Marianna; and four who died in infancy. Their sons, Charles E. and Edmund C., were reared in Fall River, and following their fundamental education in the public schools of their birthplace, they entered and were graduated from Friends' School, now Moses Brown School, of Providence.

Charles E. Gifford, upon the completion of his education, immediately entered his father's business, which up to this time had been carried on by Ellis Gifford. At this same time Thomas Estes was taken into the firm under the firm name of Gifford, Estes and Company, under which title the business was continued for about a year, when Thomas Estes moved away and the name was changed back to Ellis Gifford. The father, Ellis (1) Gifford, died in the year 1866, leaving his son to carry on the business alone, which he did until 1880, when Edmund C. Gifford entered the business and became associated with his brother in the management of the store, the present firm name of C. E. Gifford & Company coming into use some time after 1866. In 1892 the establishment had been moved from the original location to new and larger quarters at No. 36 North Main street. The two brothers carried on the business successfully until Charles E. Gifford died in the year 1896, leaving his brother, Edmund C., to manage the enterprise alone. In the year 1905 the present Ellis (2) Gifford entered the concern and learned the business in all its departments and phases. Upon his father's death, in the year 1908, Ellis (2) Gifford became the manager of the store and of his mother's estate. Ten years later he purchased the interests of his mother, and since that time has successfully continued in his management of the jewelry business so well established by his grandfather.

Edmund C. Gifford married (first), in 1880, Edith H. Miles, of Worcester, Massachusetts. To them were born two children: Ellis (2), of whom further, and Marjorie B., born in 1885, died in 1898. Edmund C. Gifford married (second), in 1892, Alice J. Flagg, of Chelsea, and to them were born three daughters: Dorothy; Helen, now the wife of John S. Brayton; and Hilda, now the wife of Elmer Graham.

Ellis (2) Gifford was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1884, a son of Edmund C. and Edith H. (Miles) Gifford. His early education was obtained from the public schools of Fall River, following which he entered and was graduated from the Fall River High School. He then matriculated at Harvard University, from which institution he was graduated with the class of 1906, being given the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He immediately entered the store of his fore-

fathers and learned the business, as has already been mentioned. At least ten retail jewelry stores have been started by former employees of the C. E. Gifford & Company firm. The continued brotherly feeling between these competitors is well shown by the fact that Fall River jewelers were one of the first organizations in the country to form a local organization, which is still in existence, and one of the few groups of retailers who advertise their goods coöperatively year after year.

Further business associations of Mr. Gifford's include the directorship of research and chairman of trade interest committee of the American National Retail Jewelers' Association; ex-president of the Merchants' Association, now serving on the executive committee; president of the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Retail Jewelers' Association; and ex-president of the Fall River Credit Reporting Association, of which latter body he is a member of the executive committee. In public and civic service Mr. Gifford has also been very active. He is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association, the president of the Association for Community Welfare; secretary of the B. M. C. Durfee High School Athletic Association; president of the Unitarian Layman's League; and director and vice-president of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Gifford is also a member of the Rotary Club, of which he is a director. He is also a member of the standing committee of the Unitarian church. He served on the fuel committee during the World War.

Ellis Gifford married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, June 1, 1909, Mary H. Beattie, a daughter of David and Etta (Davis) Beattie. To Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gifford have been born two children, as follows: Isabel M., born June 18, 1910; and Edmund B., born August 14, 1914. The family attends the Unitarian church, and are active in the social circles of their community.

**EDWARD ANTHONY THURSTON**—Hardly past the half century mark in years, Edward Anthony Thurston developed strong qualities of leadership in his profession and in public life, and won an enduring place in legal records and State annals. He was learned in the law and commanded a large practice, extensive in its scope, including Boston and Washington, D. C. For many years he sacrificed much of his time in the field of politics, allowing his profession to take a secondary place in his personal life, although he was until his death a member of the eminent Fall River law firm, Baker, Thurston, Seagrave & Terry. Yet despite his political activities and the demands of his Washington business, his local practice was extensive and he will long be remembered with favor as a lawyer of skill and ability. Yet he acquired a greater prominence in the political field, not as an office holder, for he never sought political office of any kind, but as an organizer, a leader and one of the hardest workers in the ranks of the Republican party. In 1914 a political writer, in discussing the situation in Massachusetts, wrote thus of Mr. Thurston:

With the Democrats in possession of all the political strongholds, and with the Progressives still clinging—although a bit hysterical—together, it seems strange to find that the

average Republican leader in this State is an optimist when he is discussing what he believes will happen this fall. Strange until you find that the Republicans have at the head of their State committee the champion optimist in the State, Edward A. Thurston, a young Fall River lawyer.

Politics seemed to be second nature to Mr. Thurston and he fairly reveled in the battles of the ballots. His personal acquaintance with great men in politics was very extensive, evidence of this being found in his law office, the walls of which he covered with autographed photographs of President Harding, President Coolidge, ex-President Taft, Secretary of War Weeks, Senator Lodge, and many other leaders of the Republican party during the past twenty years.

Personally Mr. Thurston was one of the most likeable of men. Members of the bar, arrayed against him in trial, members of his party, not agreed with him in the policies to be pursued, admired him for his frank, open, fearless way of carrying on his cause. He was generous to a fault, and, despite the teeming activities of his endeavors, found time to do numerous little things which showed the possession of a very fine spirit. He was an upstanding type of American citizenship, and fairly won the high opinion in which he was held by all who knew him.

Mr. Thurston of this review, traced his descent in paternal line through several generations of New England ancestors, to Edward Thurston, who came to Rhode Island before 1647, and his wife, Elizabeth Mott, daughter of Adam Mott. On the maternal side he traced through eleven generations to Dr. Francis Anthony, born in London, England, April 16, 1550, who, according to "Encyclopedia Britannica," was a "learned physician and chemist, son of an eminent goldsmith of London, who had a responsible position in the jewel office under Queen Elizabeth." His American ancestor was John (2) Anthony, born in 1607, who came to New England in the ship "Hercules," April 16, 1634. Portsmouth, Rhode Island, was the home of his Anthony ancestors until Sarah Howland Anthony, of the eleventh generation, married Edwin Chace Thurston, of Fall River, of the seventh generation of Thurstons in New England, and made Fall River their home. To Edwin Chace and Sarah Howland (Anthony) Thurston three children were born: Cora Belle, wife, and now widow, of Dr. Charles C. Terry; Edward Anthony, of further mention; and Ralph Emery, of Putnam, Connecticut.

Edward Anthony Thurston, elder son of Edwin Chace and Sarah Howland (Anthony) Thurston, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, June 26, 1871, died in the city of his birth, July 29, 1923. He completed courses of public school study with graduation from B. M. C. Durfee High School in 1889, then entered Brown University, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1893. He chose the law as his profession and prepared at Harvard Law School, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws from that institution in 1896, the same year gaining admission to the Massachusetts bar. He began professional life



with the law firm of Jennings and Morton, remaining with them until the outbreak of the Spanish-American War in 1898, when, with old Battery M, 1st Regiment, Massachusetts Heavy Artillery, he joined the service, remaining on duty at Fort Warren until the war ended. A year before he entered the service he formed a partnership with Charles L. Baker, under the firm name, Baker and Thurston. That association endured so long as life lasted, although the firm was enlarged, the name becoming Baker, Thurston, Seagrave & Terry, the junior member of the firm being a nephew of Mr. Thurston, Carl A. Terry. From the beginning of his professional career Mr. Thurston was very successful, and built up a clientele which included many corporations. His thorough knowledge of the law won him important clients and he was connected with many important cases tried in Massachusetts courts. In his later years his larger practice was outside of Fall River, and he spent considerable time in Washington. When the financial bubble blown by Charles Ponzi burst, Mr. Thurston was named a trustee by Judge James M. Morton, Jr., and during the war period he performed legal service for a number of cotton mills of Fall River in safeguarding their government contracts. During the years following the war, he was engaged in Washington in the settlement of claims against alien properties, seized by the government during the war period, 1917-1918, and in the settlement of claims arising from contracts made with the government.

Mr. Thurston was a member of the Fall River Bar, Bristol County Bar, Massachusetts State Bar, and American Bar Associations, and was highly esteemed by his contemporaries of the profession. Always interested in politics, it was not until 1898 that he came into the limelight as a leader. His connection with Andrew J. Jennings, of the law firm Jennings & Newton, urged him to actively espouse Mr. Jennings' candidacy for Congress, against W. S. Greene. He obtained leave of absence from the army and was placed in charge of the Jennings campaign. He showed his great ability as a political worker during that campaign, although Mr. Jennings was defeated, and the fact was recognized that in Mr. Thurston a new leader had arisen. He was made chairman of the Republican Committee in 1906, 1907, and 1908, and later he was chosen a member of the Republican State Central Committee. From his first connection with that body he impressed the members with his enthusiasm and ability to such an extent that in 1914 they elected Mr. Thurston chairman. Republican fortunes were then at low ebb in Massachusetts, the Democracy, after electing the governor, in 1913, having accomplished the seemingly impossible, by having elected every candidate on their State ticket. Eugene N. Foss in 1923 had defeated Augustus P. Gardner, the Republican nominee. In 1914, when Mr. Thurston was elected chairman of the committee, the Democrats nominated Samuel W. McCall, the Democrats nominated David I. Walsh, and Joseph H. Walker ran as a Progressive candidate; Mr. Walker's entry

split the Republican vote and Walsh was elected. Mr. McCall was persuaded to reënter the race in 1915, and Mr. Thurston, by dint of untiring work, reconciled many of the progressives and Mr. McCall was elected. Mr. McCall defeated Governor Walsh by a plurality of 6,313. The victory gave Chairman Thurston wide prestige, and he was hailed as the savior of the Republican party in the State. Again the next year under Mr. Thurston's management of the campaign, Governor McCall was reelected by 46,240 plurality over Mansfield, Democrat. In 1917 Mr. Thurston declined reelection to the State committee. Mr. Thurston was several times a delegate to the Republican National conventions and in 1920 was one of the four State delegates-at-large to the convention that nominated President Harding and Vice-President Coolidge. He was a forceful speaker and natural leader, and his four-minute speeches during the war with Germany, attracted wide attention. At the National Convention of 1916 he was an active worker in the interest of John W. Weeks as a candidate for the Presidential nomination, and he and Secretary Weeks were always warm personal friends. Mr. Thurston also enjoyed the friendship of Senator Lodge and of Charles Sumner Bird who was at one time the Progressive candidate for governor. He had a wide acquaintance among political leaders in Massachusetts and other States. Mr. Thurston in 1901 rejoined the regiment in which he had served during the war with Spain and was appointed on the staff of Colonel James A. Frye as second lieutenant, and later served on the staff of Colonel Charles P. Nutter. He was a member of the local post of Spanish War Veterans and each year he marched with the post in the Memorial Day parade. He was a member of King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Royal Arch Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; the Fall River Country Club, Quechean Club, Fall River Bowling Green Club, New Boston Road Social Club, Brown University Alumni Association, Harvard Law School Alumni Association; the Racquet and University club of Washington, the Harvard Club, of New York; was president of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Club, of Rhode Island; and a member of the First Congregational Church, of Fall River.

The political fighting instinct, so strong in Mr. Thurston that he seemed to glory in battle, was not indicative of his character, but a case of standing by the party principle under all circumstances. Personally he was of a jovial disposition and made friends everywhere. He was fond of books, his library large and carefully selected. His summer home was maintained at Craigville, on Cape Cod, where he spent much of his leisure time during the heated term. He never married, but resided with his widowed mother, Mrs. Sarah Howland (Anthony) Thurston, at the Fall River home.

**ROY F. WHITNEY**, president of the Fall River Electric Light Company, before coming to Fall River, Massachusetts had a broad experience in general en-

gineering and in hydro-electric developments, his work having taken him to various parts of the country in connection with many kinds of construction and development work.

Roy F. Whitney was born in Chelsea, Massachusetts, on July 23, 1880, son of Lorenzo P. and Elizabeth J. (Foxwell) Whitney, his father a business man of Boston. His early education was received in the public and high schools of Boston, followed by special courses in electrical engineering in the plants of the General Electric Company and other electrical utilities. From 1901 until 1906 he was employed in general engineering and construction work in various parts of the country in connection with hydro-electric developments. From 1906 to 1918 he was with the Charles H. Tenney Company, of Boston, in the engineering, operation and management of public utilities in various cities, and this brought him in contact with electric railway, power plant, and gas plant work. In 1918 he became general manager and later president of the Fall River Electric Light Company, which offices he continues to hold at the present time, his connection with this company having been instrumental in the rapid expansion and development of the business of the company. Mr. Whitney is also general manager of the Montaup Electric Company, of Somerset, Massachusetts, and is identified with the construction of its new power plant. He is superintendent and director of the Tiverton Electric Company; director of the Metacomet National Bank of Fall River, and is well known in business circles throughout this city. He is keenly interested in the improvement and development of his community, and is active in all civic matters that have a trend in that direction. Mr. Whitney is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers; the American Society of Mechanical Engineers; Illuminating Engineering Society; the Fall River Chamber of Commerce; the Rotary Club, of Fall River; Engineers' and Exchange clubs, of Boston; and the Quequechan and the Fall River Country clubs of Fall River. In his political belief he is a Republican, and his religious affiliation is as a member of the Church of the Ascension, of Fall River.

Mr. Whitney married, in Somerville, Massachusetts, on November 9, 1907, Louise A. Pitman, daughter of James R. and Josephine A. (Kemp) Pitman, her father a well known business man of Boston in his time. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney are the parents of a daughter, Dorothy L., born on September 29, 1909.

**HERBERT E. KING**—In the world of finance and also in the public service, Herbert E. King, of Mansfield, Massachusetts, is a noteworthy figure, and with long experience added to his practical ability he is bearing a definitely progressive part in the local advance. Mr. King comes of a long prominent family in this section of Bristol county, and is a son of La Roy King, of Mansfield, who for many years was owner and proprietor of a sales and livery stable, and died in the year 1916. The mother, Mary C. (White) King, died at an early age, in 1876.

Herbert E. King was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, April 1, 1862. His education was begun

in the local public schools and he was graduated from the Mansfield High School in the class of 1879. Thereafter entering Comer's Commercial College, he was graduated from that institution in due course and his first business experience was in the employ of a Providence (Rhode Island) merchant. Later becoming associated with his father in the livery business, he was instrumental in increasing the scope of the business and adding to its equipment until it was the largest enterprise of its kind in Mansfield. Mr. King was active with his father for about fifteen years, then, in 1900, went into business for himself, opening a hardware store in Mansfield. In 1902 he became associated with A. B. Day in the real estate and insurance business and this interest so far outstripped the hardware store in importance that he has now, for many years, confined his attention to this enterprise, so far as his personal interests are concerned. Meanwhile, Mr. King's ability and success as a business executive led to his being sought for activity in the service of the people, and he has now been associated with the Mansfield Co-Operative Bank for nearly twenty-three years, and until the death of Mr. Day, in 1913, he served in various minor capacities. He then succeeded Mr. Day as treasurer of the institution, which office he still ably fills. Mr. King still retains his interest in the real estate and insurance business and this enterprise is a leading one in its field in this part of Bristol county. In addition to his activity as treasurer and also a director of the Mansfield Co-Operative Bank, Mr. King is chairman of the Sinking Fund Commission of Mansfield. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. King was elected chief of the Mansfield Fire Department in 1897 and under his leadership the department has been developed from one of the old hand-reel organizations to the present modernized motor-equipped department, which is the pride of the community. He has been a delegate to numerous State and National conventions of organizations having to do with the promotion of advance in fire protection. He is a member of the National Association of Fire Engineers and the New England Association of Fire Chiefs. Mr. King has been a member of the local Board of Trade for many years, and for twelve years served on the executive committee, acting as its secretary for three years and its president for five years. During the World War he served as treasurer of the various Red Cross drives and gave broadly constructive aid and coöperation to all the home activities. Fraternally he is affiliated with St. James Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Mansfield; Keystone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar. He is a member of the Winthrop Club, and is affiliated with the Congregational church.

Mr. King married, in 1885, Mabel A. Day, of Mansfield, daughter of Alfred B. and Eliza (Tobitt) Day, Mr. Day being one of the organizers of the First National Bank, of Mansfield. Mr. and Mrs. King are the parents of one daughter: Marion I., a



graduate of Framingham College, now a teacher of domestic science, at Brockton, Massachusetts.

**STUART M. RHODES**—One of the well known business men of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, is Stuart M. Rhodes, president of the T. C. Frothingham & Company concern. Mr. Rhodes has been identified with that enterprise since 1880, and has been its executive head since 1915.

Mr. Rhodes was born in Nova Scotia, February 6, 1856, son of William H. Rhodes, a shipbuilder, who died in 1884, and of Mary C. (Farnsworth) Rhodes, who died in 1888, both parents being natives of Nova Scotia. After attending the public schools of his native district until he was thirteen years of age he came to the United States, in 1869, and found his first employment with a shoe manufacturing concern of Lynn, Massachusetts. For nearly ten years he continued in this line of business activity, serving as foreman during the later years of that period. In 1880, however, he resolved to make a change. He removed to North Attleboro, Massachusetts, and entered the employ of T. C. Frothingham & Company. That connection he has maintained to the present time.

The firm which operates under the corporate name of T. C. Frothingham & Company was established in 1878 by T. C. Frothingham and W. S. Smith for the purpose of manufacturing a general line of jewelry. Its first location was on Broad street, but by 1901 the business had so expanded that larger quarters were needed, and they then removed to their present location in the Richards building, at No. 82 Elm street, where they occupy about 4,000 square feet of floor space and require the services of sixty employees. In 1915 the firm was incorporated under its original name and it was at that time that Mr. Rhodes was made president. During the early years of its existence the firm was engaged in the manufacture of a general line of jewelry, but gradually it has devoted more and more time and attention to the manufacture of gold rings until at the present time (1923) it manufactures that article almost exclusively. It makes all kinds of gold rings, from the eight-karat cheaper grades to those of the finest quality, and sends its product to all parts of the United States. The firm is affiliated with various jewelers' organizations and is recognized as one of the thoroughly well established and reliable business concerns of the State. Its growth has been very rapid since the close of the World War. Mr. Rhodes is an attendant of the Baptist church of North Attleboro.

On January 18, 1876, Stuart M. Rhodes married Alvira Waite, of Lynn, Massachusetts, daughter of Joel Waite, a shoemaker of Lynn, Massachusetts, and of Helen Waite. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes are the parents of eight children: Bessie; William S.; Ralph E.; Nettie; Stuart M. Jr.; Henry A.; and Edith and Ethel (twins).

**WILLIAM C. WINTER**—A name which meant much to the community of Mansfield, Massachu-

setts, and which in its significance still lives although the figure which bore it has passed on, is that of William C. Winter, who was a resident of this place for fifty-seven years and whose activities contributed to every phase of civic and general advance. Mr. Winter's passing, in the early spring of 1920, removed from the community a man whom the people loved and revered and who, at nearly eighty-two years of age, was still interested in all that goes to make up the daily life of the people.

William C. Winter was born in Perthshire, Scotland, in 1838, and was one of five brothers, finally living to be the last survivor of the family. As a young man, Mr. Winter came to the United States, landing in Boston, Massachusetts, April 18, 1861, and going at once to Dorchester, Massachusetts. This was just at that period when Civil War was precipitated between the North and South and he did all in his power for the preservation of the Union. Mr. Winter came to Mansfield in 1863, and securing a position as gardener, in the employ of Gardener Chilson, he remained with Mr. Chilson a period of twenty-five years, or until his death, when the Chilson estate was sold. During the latter part of that period Mr. Winter's two brothers, Charles and P. Murray Winter, established a greenhouse business, Mr. Winter himself being interested financially in the enterprise. P. Murray Winter carried the interest forward, Charles also being interested in a financial way. Following the death of his employer, Mr. Chilson, William C. Winter became actively interested in this business, and Charles Winter, not long thereafter, resigned from a position as gardener at Fishkill, New York, which he had filled for some years, to enter the business also as an active partner. The partnership was later dissolved and William C. Winter took up an independent enterprise, as florist. The partners had been active in growing grapes and tomatoes, while Mr. Winter personally developed a business in the growing of flowers. Mr. Winter had previously, while still engaged as gardener for Mr. Chilson, become interested in the coal business in partnership with P. A. Drew, this partnership continuing until 1905, when Mr. Drew retired and Mr. Winter's oldest son, William Lewis Winter, became associated with his father, and active as manager. Meanwhile Mr. Winter also had acquired considerable property in the vicinity of Mansfield, purchasing land as early as 1871. The original purpose of the three brothers was to establish a nursery, but the enterprise never eventuated, and when Mr. Winter and his son became associated in the coal business they determined upon developing such of this property as William C. Winter held. They built fully thirty houses on various attractive sites on this property, and some of the most delightful homes of Mansfield now stand upon the property then owned by Mr. Winter. In all branches of civic advance Mr. Winter was deeply interested. He was a member of the security committee of the Co-operative Bank and at

the time of his death was president of that institution. He never accepted public responsibilities of a political nature, but his influence was always strongly felt in any movement which counted for the welfare of the people or the prosperity of the community. He was particularly active in religious work, and was a member of the Baptist church from the early months of his residence in Mansfield, and until his death did much for its prosperity, also with rare breadth of spirit contributed largely to religious activities among other denominations. A review of his life appearing in the Mansfield "News," under the date of March 12, 1920, reads as follows, in part:

He leaves a rich heritage to his family, for he was always found faithful to every trust that was reposed in him, and in his long life many people had turned to him as a safe counselor and faithful friend. "Diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord."

Mr. Winter died suddenly of heart trouble at his home on Pleasant street, Mansfield, at the age of eighty-one years and eight months. His loss was one of great significance to the town, the only comfort to his sorrowing friends having been the fact that for so many years he had been spared to share their burdens and their sorrows, his name will long be remembered by all whose privilege it was to know him.

William C. Winter married, in 1873, Mary C. Brown, of Randolph, Massachusetts, and their children numbered three: William Lewis, a sketch of whom follows; Hattie Bruce; and Alfred Robinson, who was formerly a teacher of Boston, Massachusetts, and died in 1915.

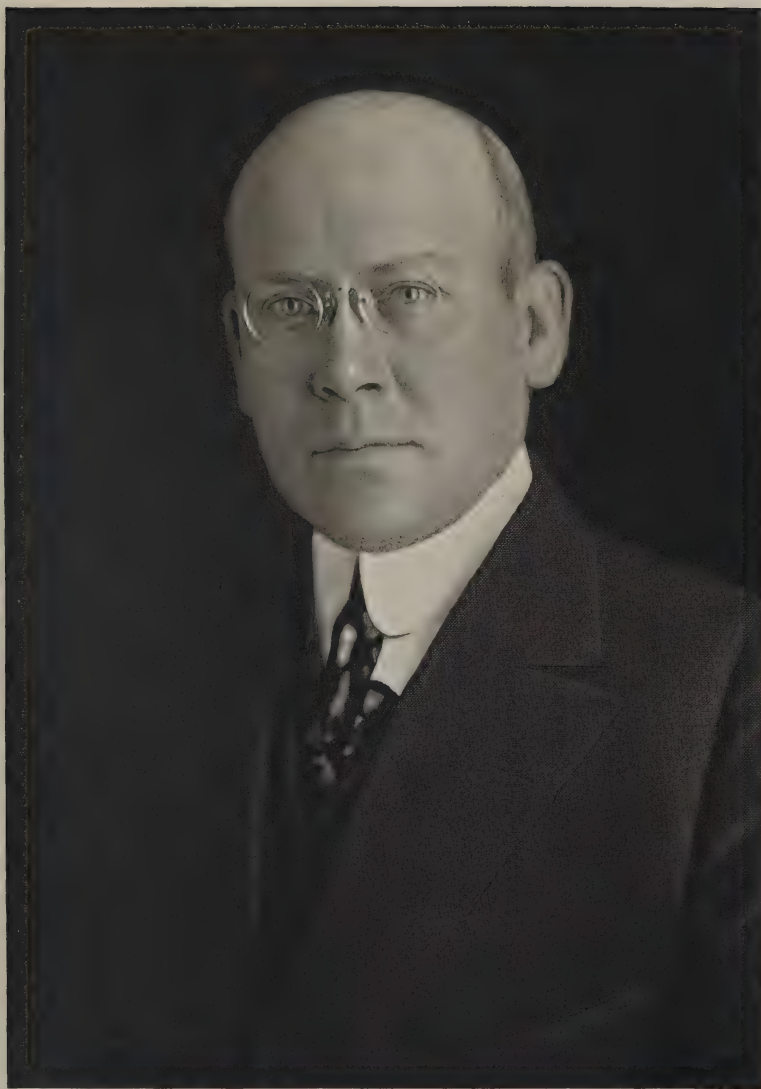
**WILLIAM LEWIS WINTER**—One of the leading figures in business advance in Mansfield, Massachusetts, is William Lewis Winter, who is a native of this community and has been active in its commercial progress since the completion of his education. Mr. Winter's ability has carried him to a noteworthy position in the local progress, and while at the head of the long prominent firm of W. C. & W. L. Winter, he took a leading position in local commercial affairs. He is a son of William C. and Mary C. (Brown) Winter, his father formerly a well known merchant and florist of this community, a review of William C. Winter's life appearing in the preceding sketch.

William Lewis Winter was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, May 23, 1874. His education was begun in the public schools of this town and he was graduated from the Mansfield High School in the class of 1890. Thereafter entering Comer's Business School, of Boston, he made special preparations for a career along commercial lines of activity. Mr. Winter's first business experience was in the employ of J. A. Wheeler, of Mansfield, as clerk in his store, and he was thus engaged for a period of fifteen years. Mr. Winter then became associated with his father, the late William C. Winter, in the coal business, becoming sole owner of the interest after the death of his father. This

enterprise was established about 1883, under the firm name of P. A. Drew & Company, William C. Winter being an equal partner with Mr. Drew. The first location of the business was on Chauncey street, nearly at the site of the present Thomas House, the coal pockets at that time being on North Main street. The enterprise was removed to the present location, at Nos. 1-9 West Church street, in 1905, and the storage pockets are now at the end of this street, having a capacity of 1,200 tons. In the same year, Mr. Drew resigned from membership in the firm and the elder Mr. Winter received into partnership his son, William Lewis Winter, who from that time on held executive responsibility in the organization. Within recent years, William Lewis Winter has also been active in the ice business and has ranked as the leading dealer in ice in Mansfield, being the only one maintaining his own ice houses. On November 22, 1923, Mr. Winter sold his coal and ice business to W. T. Kirley, of the Roxbury Coal Company, and is now giving his whole time to real estate. Mr. Winter was also associated with his father in the building of homes for the people, and since his father's death has carried this interest forward to a considerable extent. He is a director of the Co-Operative Bank of Mansfield, and secretary and treasurer of the Mansfield Housing Corporation. Mr. Winter supports the Republican party in political affairs, but has never accepted the honors or responsibilities of office. During the World War both he and Mrs. Winter were very active in the work of the Red Cross. Mr. Winter is a member of the Mansfield Board of Trade and of the Winthrop Club, and his religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Winter married, on June 20, 1900, Grace Parker, of Cambridge, daughter of William K. and Emily (Cottle) Parker, both natives of Massachusetts, the father a carriage-maker by occupation. Mr. and Mrs. Winter are the parents of two daughters: Martha B., a graduate of the Mansfield High School and Rhode Island State College, and now the wife of Webster D. Tibbetts; and Doris P., a graduate of Mansfield High School and of the Rhode Island State College, and now the wife of Ralph W. Elliot.

**BENJAMIN BRAYTON (2) READ**—A native son and from youth identified with the textile industry, Benjamin B. (2) Read, although well within the half-century of life, was rated one of the successful cotton manufacturers of the Fall River district. He was a man of large interests and an authority on textile manufacturing, but had not developed one side of his nature at the expense of another; on the contrary he was evenly balanced, taking a keen interest in public, civic and social life. He was of the ninth generation of the family founded in New England by John Read, son of William and Lucy (Henange) Read, who, born in England in 1598, is believed to have come to New England in 1630. He is of record in Weymouth



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in 1637; was in Dorchester in 1638; and in 1643 or 1644 he accompanied Rev. Mr. Newman to Rehoboth, where he became a large property owner and held the then important office of constable. He died September 7, 1685, leaving sons and daughters. The line is traced from John Read and his wife, Sarah, to (II) their son, John (2) Read (killed in an Indian fight) and his wife, Rachel; (III) their son, Thomas Read, and his second wife, Martha; (IV) their son, Noah Read, and his wife, Anna Hunt; (V) their son, Thomas Read, and his wife, Hannah Bourne; (VI) their son, William Read, and his wife, Sarah Rogers; (VII) their son, Francis Bourne Read, and his wife, Mary Amy Brayton; (VIII) their son, Benjamin Brayton Read, and his wife, Lucy Sherman Manchester; (IX) their son, Benjamin Brayton (2) Read, to whose memory this review is dedicated.

Four of these generations lived and live at Fall River, William Read, of the sixth generation coming late in life. Francis Bourne Read, although born in Somerset, Massachusetts, resided at Fall River nearly all his life, while Benjamin Brayton Read, senior and junior, were born in the city, the senior on March 21, 1852, and there resided until his passing, April 8, 1909. He followed in his fathers' "footsteps" in choosing an occupation, both men being skilled carpenters and reliable builders. Lucy Sherman Manchester, wife of Benjamin B. Read, was born at Fall River, a daughter of Silas and Mary Ann (Downing) Manchester, her parents old settlers there. She survives her husband and son, and is a resident of Fall River.

Benjamin Brayton (2) Read, only child of Benjamin Brayton and Lucy Sherman (Manchester) Read, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, February 28, 1874, received his education there, and attained an honorable, abundant business success, and won high reputation as a public-spirited, progressive citizen, and there died, August 1, 1923. He was educated in Fall River public schools, finishing in the B. M. C. Durfee High School with the graduating class of 1892. In 1893 he began his business career as an office boy in the employ of The Davol Mills, later going to the Stevens Manufacturing Company as assistant superintendent, and remaining there until 1906. During the last seven years of his connection with the latter corporation he devoted his energies to the mastering of the manufacturing end of the business. He gained valuable experience in textile accounting, became familiar with the methods of manufacture, and, being a keen observer, in time was recognized as an expert in the textile industry. Finally he came to a point where he felt capable of larger things and went among investors and manufacturers with the proposition which resulted in the organization of the Lincoln Manufacturing Corporation, his reputation proving sufficient guarantee to enable him to form a strong company. The incorporation was effected in 1906, Mr. Read being chosen a director and treasurer; he was at that time but thirty-two years of age, and was the youngest mill treasurer in the

State. Under his financial guidance the Lincoln Mills attained high standing and rating. The first building erected in 1907-1908 was soon too small, and a second was added, the plant finally being equipped in a manner second to none. The capital stock of the corporation was increased to \$2,250,000 and its 150,000 spindles produce a superior grade of product, Mr. Read serving the corporation both as treasurer and as agent. While the promotion of the Lincoln Mills, which were managed by Mr. Read, no doubt presented many difficulties which he met and overcame, probably his greatest accomplishment in the local textile field was his reorganization of the Parker and Hargrave Mills whose fortunes were at the lowest possible ebb, when he assumed the responsibility that other men had hesitated to accept, and won a success that had appeared impossible. At a special meeting of the Parker Mills' stockholders on May 9, 1921, Mr. Read was unanimously elected treasurer to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Seth A. Borden. A report of certified public accountants showed total current liabilities of \$1,250,057.55, a total net debt of \$951,330.60, and a total equity of \$615,728.48 for the stockholders. At the same time a report on the Hargraves mill showed an excess of liabilities over all assets of \$160,766.27.

This was the problem which Mr. Read faced and at a time when business was in the doldrums and mill shares generally were in very poor demand. It was necessary to sell more than a million dollars of preferred stock to furnish working capital for the re-organized corporation and it was necessary also to revamp the entire organization, to put it on an efficient basis, a tremendous task in itself. Mr. Read surmounted every obstacle and had the plant on a money-making basis at the time of his death.

Commenting on the Parker and Hargraves situation in its financial review of Fall River cotton mills for the year 1922, Sanford & Kelly said:

To have two corporations of this size drop by the wayside and be scrapped, or have gone to outside interests for a song, would have been no small-sized calamity. In our opinion, this very nearly happened and would have happened had it not been for the remarkable energy and persistence of Mr. Read in working out a tremendous number of intricate problems with the help of comparatively few business associates and bankers. It must be a great comfort to Mr. Read to look back on the past year and see what he has done for his fellow-citizens and the employment he has given, probably permanently, to so many textile operatives. Besides working out the business details, the volume of which cannot be realized by any but those who have started up a plant of that size which has stood idle over a long period of time, Mr. Read had the financing of the proposition almost entirely on his own shoulders as well.

Mr. Read himself, speaking of the re-organization and the progress that had been made up to the latter part of 1922, said, with characteristic modesty: "I had some very good friends in the banking world, in the cotton goods market and among practical mill men. They have stood back of me as only real friends could, and, they, rather than I, have been responsible for what has been accomplished. We are trying, of course, to prove worthy of this confidence, we have got to prove worthy of it, and we will." Mr. Read was also president

of Allen, Slade Company, Inc., a director of the Metacomet National Bank; treasurer of the Kilbourne-Lincoln Manufacturing Company; and a trustee of the B. M. C. Durfee Textile School of Fall River. He was a Republican in politics, and while keenly alive to his responsibilities as a citizen, never accepted political office. He attended the Central Congregational Church; and was a member of the New York Yacht Club, the Fall River Yacht Club, the Rhode Island Country Club, Fall River Country Club, the Quequechan Club of Fall River, and the Acoaxet Club.

Benjamin B. (2) Read married, on October 24, 1900, at Fall River, Clara Slade Cameron, born at Fall River, daughter of James H. and Susie L. M. (Slade) Cameron, and granddaughter of George W. Slade of Allen, Slade & Company, wholesale grocers of Fall River. To Mr. and Mrs. Read was born a son, George Slade Read, on July 25, 1910. Although deeply engrossed in business, Mr. Read was above all a devoted husband and father to whom his home meant everything. His town house was on Highland avenue and the family summer home at Westport Harbor, Massachusetts.

**CHARLES CORNELIUS CAIN, JR.**—In newspaper circles in New England, Charles Cornelius Cain, Jr., is known as editor of the Attleboro "Daily Sun" and vice-president of the corporation publishing this paper. Mr. Cain is a man of a most progressive spirit, and has given to the advance of local affairs and interests the impetus of a highly organized temperament, applied in a constructive manner to the questions of the day in the daily publication of a thoroughly worthy and progressive newspaper.

Charles Cornelius Cain, Jr., was born at Medford, Massachusetts, June 9, 1887. The family removing to the city of Taunton during his childhood, he attended the public schools of that city and was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1904. Always interested in the daily conduct of affairs of the city, State and Nation, and gifted with the ability to put on paper in a convincing and logical form his views and observances of life, Mr. Cain early chose journalism as his field of professional endeavor and became affiliated with some of the leading newspapers of Bristol county, as a reporter. Later purchasing an interest in the "Daily Sun" of Attleboro, he became vice-president of the corporation and is now editor of the paper. Mr. Cain's attitude toward all progress is reflected in his editorial writings and he wields a strong influence that contributes to the daily progress and prosperity of the city of Attleboro and this vicinity. Mr. Cain has done much in a practical as well as an editorial way for the many movements and public enterprises of Bristol county, which have for their object the welfare of the people or the advancement of any cause. His editorial handling of the affairs of the commonwealth and the nation are in a marked degree closely parallel with those principles of patriotism and righteousness which have

made this country preëminent among the nations of the earth. His words are always constructive, his criticisms of wrong and injustice scathing and directed with the keen precision of the man who knows his premises and is fearless in his advocacy of right and justice.

Still a resident of Taunton, Mr. Cain served for five years as chairman and is still a trustee of the Taunton State Hospital, and is also a trustee of the Taunton Public Library. He is now serving the eighth year in the Taunton Municipal Council and the fourth term as president of this body. His public activities have not been limited to local affairs, but in the years 1919-1921, inclusive, he served as aide on the military staff of Governor Coolidge, of Massachusetts. Mr. Cain is a member of Taunton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is past exalted ruler; a member of Taunton Council, Knights of Columbus; and of the Boston Press Club. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, and he is past president of the Holy Name Society of that church. He is well and favorably known as a public speaker.

Mr. Cain married, on April 20, 1910, at Woods Hole, Massachusetts, Anna Louise Linnane, daughter of P. C. and Anna (Finnan) Linnane, and they are the parents of four children: A. Louise; Mary; Charles Tertius; and Gertrude.

**HON. ROLLIN H. BABBITT**—A venerable and distinguished figure in agricultural circles in Berkeley, Massachusetts, also in civic and religious advance, the Hon. Rollin H. Babbitt is now in the eighty-fourth year of his age, and is still active in these various branches of human endeavor. Mr. Babbitt is a son of Adoniram Babbitt, who died about 1890, and was by occupation a shipwright of New Bedford, Massachusetts. The mother, Emmeline (French) Babbitt, died two years previously. She was born in Barnard, Vermont, but became a resident of Berkeley, Massachusetts, after her marriage in 1834.

Rollin H. Babbitt was born in Berkeley, Massachusetts, May 30, 1840. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace and he later spent one year and a half at Dighton Academy. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Babbitt entered the employ of the Washburn Hardware Company, of Taunton, Massachusetts, but he was active in that connection for only a comparatively short time when hostilities broke out between the North and South. Mr. Babbitt at once enlisted in Company D, 7th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and served during the greater part of the war period. He was, however, wounded in the right arm and the right rib, which brought about his discharge about a year prior to the close of the war. He received his discharge with the rank of sergeant, and upon his return to his native State he became interested in farming. In 1873 Mr. Babbitt bought the fine farm upon which he has now resided for a full half-century.



This consists of about thirty acres of cleared land, all rich, mellow soil, which can easily be worked with the plow, and about twenty acres of woodland. Mr. Babbitt has conducted extensive farming operations on this property ever since taking it over and has won a reputation for being one of the most successful and progressive farmers in Bristol county. He has shared his prosperity, and the energy which has accomplished it, with the community in many ways and has served in public office repeatedly. For many years he has been active as a member of the Board of Selectmen and has also been active in the office of assessor. The father of five children, he has taken a deep interest in educational advance and for many years served as a member of the local school board. Interested also in general culture, he has served as a trustee of the public library and has done much for the prosperity and growth of that institution. The people of the community gave him the honor of electing him as their representative to the Massachusetts State Legislature in the year 1888 and 1889. He has long been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and is one of the few remaining figures who still represent that phase in the history of this country. He is also a member of the Taunton Historical Society. In early life Mr. Babbitt identified himself with religious advance and for forty-two years has been deacon of the Congregational church of Berkley, also, for a full quarter of a century, has been treasurer of this church.

Mr. Babbitt married, on November 25, 1870, in North Troy, Vermont, Floret A. Bailey, daughter of Charles F. Bailey, the first commissioned officer in the Vermont troops killed in the Civil War. The mother, Sarah Dillingham (Dean) Bailey, died in 1898. Mr. and Mrs. Babbitt are the parents of the following children: Emmeline A., born in September, 1871; Rollin H., Jr., born in April, 1874; Charles, born in January, 1876; Miriam, born in March, 1879; and Floret A., born in May, 1887.

**THOMAS DURFEE HARGRAVES**—One of the foremost names in the younger group of business executives of Fall River, Massachusetts, Thomas Durfee Hargraves, cotton and cotton cloth broker of that city, has been interested in the cotton textile industry from the viewpoint of the broker, from the time of his entering commercial life. Mr. Hargraves has a wealth of experience behind him, and his present activities count for marked advance in the industry for which he acts as a link in the chain of distribution.

The Hargraves family is one of distinction in Bristol county, where the name has been one of prominence in industrial life for generations. Cornelius Hargraves, great-grandfather of Thomas D. Hargraves, of this review, was the founder of the Hargraves Soap Works, one of the old industries of Bristol county, now out of business. Cornelius Hargraves began manufacturing soap and glue substitutes in 1841, and in 1861 the Hargraves

Manufacturing Company was organized to conduct the business, the company consisting of Cornelius Hargraves and his sons, Reuben and Thomas. About two years later, Cornelius Hargraves sold his interest to James S. Anthony, who continued the business four years, and then sold his interest to Reuben and Thomas Hargraves. Cornelius Hargraves was also a director in the Barnard Manufacturing Company, formed in 1873. Reuben and Thomas Hargraves were succeeded by sons of Reuben; John W. and Stephen D., the latter the father of Thomas Durfee Hargraves. The land for the Hargraves Mill, incorporated in 1888, was bought from Reuben and Thomas Hargraves, Reuben being president of the mill. Reuben and Thomas Hargraves were directors of the Cornell Mills when formed, and John W. Hargraves, son of Reuben, was the mill's first treasurer.

Stephen Durfee Hargraves was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1856, son of Reuben Hargraves. Stephen D. Hargraves was a man of broad interests, a supporter of all good causes, an able executive, and in every relation of life thoroughly representative of a high type of American citizenship. He died in 1918, his passing removing from the city of Fall River a man who will long be remembered by all whose privilege it was to know him. He married Margaret Gertrude Smith, who was born in Fall River, and died in 1913.

Thomas Durfee Hargraves, son of Stephen Durfee and Margaret Gertrude (Smith) Hargraves, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 25, 1891. His education was begun in the public schools, and after three years of work in the B. M. C. Durfee High School, he pursued a two years' course at commercial school. He then became associated with Edward Borden, a leading cotton cloth broker, with whom he continued for a period of five years. In 1914 Mr. Hargraves became a cotton salesman for the firm of Ingersoll, Amory & Company (now Clark, Payson & Company) of Boston, and in 1916 he became associated with the cotton firm of Eugen C. Andres Company, of Boston, as their Fall River representative, and in this connection he continued until the activities of the World War called him. When United States participation in the World War became a fact, Mr. Hargraves was admitted to the Officers' Training Camp at Plattsburg, New York, in May, 1917, and in August, 1917, enlisted in the regular army, and was assigned to the 304th Regiment of Infantry on September 1st at Camp Devens, Massachusetts. He was transferred to the Officers' Training School at Camp Lee, Virginia, where he was commissioned second lieutenant, and attached to the 12th Division, 35th Machine Gun Battalion, stationed at Camp Devens. Much to his disappointment, Lieutenant Hargraves was not sent overseas, but was retained at Camp Devens as an instructor until he was mustered out of the service in January, 1919. Upon his return to civilian life, he formed a partnership with L. Lincoln, Jr., under the firm name,

Lincoln & Hargraves, dealers in cotton and cotton cloth, a partnership which was dissolved in 1923. A Republican in politics, Mr. Hargraves has taken no active part in public affairs, but lends his influence and aid to all worthy effort. He is a member of the American Legion, the Quequechan Club, the Fall River Country Club, and the Reservation Country Club of Mattapoisett, his recreations, those of the out-of-doors.

Thomas Durfee Hargraves married, at Albany, New York, on August 27, 1918, Ella May Snow, who was born in Fall River, and is a daughter of Everett M. and Ida Snow, her father born in East Freetown, Massachusetts, as was her mother.

**WILLIAM DURFEE**—A man of large property interests, including the Hotel Mohican, of Fall River, and connected with many business enterprises of his city, William Durfee adds another of the name of Durfee to the long list of men of that ancient and honorable family who in Fall River and elsewhere have become prominent in business, professional or public life.

The Durfee family in New England was one of the earliest in Southern Rhode Island, and while no intimate relationship has been established between Thomas Durfee, the founder, and the Durfees of England, it seems likely that originally the family name was d'Urfe. A French Huguenot of that name fled from France to England prior to 1628, bringing with him a son. Thomas Durfee, the first of that name in New England of whom any record has been found, came to Portsmouth, Rhode Island, prior to 1664, as in October of that year he appeared at a session of the General Assembly. He was made a freeman of the town of Portsmouth, May 6, 1678, and held several offices, including that of deputy. For seven years after 1698 he and John Borden were engaged as managers on the Rhode Island side of the Bristol ferry. The name of his first wife, the mother of his sons, is unknown. He died in July, 1712, leaving five sons, including William, a name that has persisted in the family ever since, William Durfee, of this review, being a son, grandson and great-grandson of a William Durfee, and himself having a son William, who is the fifth William Durfee in direct line.

William Durfee, of this review, is a son of William and Caroline (Manchester) Durfee, who was well known in Fall River, the elder Mr. Durfee as the pioneer in the ice business, a line of activity in which he continued until his death on October 28, 1900. He married Caroline Manchester, who died January 22, 1901, surviving her husband but little over a year. That William Durfee was a son of Captain William Durfee, a sea captain, who was a mariner all his life, and finally sailed on a voyage from which he never returned, being lost at sea. He was a man of strong character, and stood very high in the regard of the men "who went down to the sea in ships," or who had money invested in marine channels of business or trade. Captain William Durfee bought the lot at the cor-

ner of Main and Center streets, on which the Mohican Drug Store now stands, for \$200, and to that added adjoining property, as did his son William, so at this time (1923) his grandson, William Durfee, owns, from the corner, 150 feet on Main street and 235 feet front on Central street (or avenue). After the death of Captain William Durfee, his son William was taken into the home of his grandfather, also William Durfee, a descendant of the founder, Thomas Durfee, of former mention, the family coming to Fall River from Rhode Island.

William Durfee, of this review, only son of William and Caroline (Manchester) Durfee, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, July 3, 1868. He attended Fall River schools until leaving to become his father's assistant in the ice business, and so continued until the latter's death in 1900, when he became the actual owner of the business of which he had long been the virtual head. He sold the ice business that same year, and has since devoted himself entirely to the management of the real estate pertaining to the family estate. Upon the death of his mother, Mrs. Caroline (Manchester) Durfee, in 1901, William Durfee became possessor of the estate, and in 1912 he began the conversion of the property, located at the corner of Main and Central streets, into a hotel property. Out of this has grown the present Hotel Mohican, to which a large modern addition has been made the present year (1923). This addition, with the modern features, running ice water, hot and cold water, baths, vapor heating, and all innovations, will be ample for a time, but Mr. Durfee is planning another large addition to be erected in the near future.

The Hotel Mohican, under its present enlightened management, is by far the leading commercial house in Southeastern Massachusetts, and during the busy season, cannot meet the demands travelers make upon it, hence the large addition just completed, and another to follow. Mr. Durfee is also the owner of the Rialto Theatre, which is a part of the hotel property and a very popular playhouse. He has also installed on the property fine bowling alleys and fitted up a billiard parlor. With the completion of the addition, the hotel now has 250 guest rooms, with 150 baths, and clean and wholesome condition of every part and department being remarkable.

In spite of his business interests, Mr. Durfee takes lots of "time out" for recreation and sport. He is fond of hunting and fishing; is an expert trap shooter; holds membership in the Providence Gun Club, the American Indians; and is a well known sportsman. His clubs and societies are the Quequechan Club of Fall River; King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; the Knights of Pythias. In politics he is a Republican.

William Durfee married, in 1888, Bertha Elizabeth Monarch, of Rhode Island, daughter of John and Amy (Johnson) Monarch, of Rhode Island, her father born in Scotland, her mother, in New England. Mrs. Durfee was born in Canton, Massa-







Ralph W. French

chusetts. To William and Bertha E. (Monarch) Durfee were born four children: 1. William, born at Fall River, in December, 1893, now manager of the business of the Clean Heat Oil Heating Company, in Fall River. He married Florence Pitcher, and has two daughters, Florence and Bertha. 2. Charles H., born at Fall River, in 1894, manager of service for the Efficiency Trucking Corporation, of New York. 3. Frederick, born at Fall River in 1898, now manager of the Hotel Mohican. 4. Bertha A., now a student at Chamberlain Girls' School, in Boston.

#### JUDGE CHARLES CROCKER HAGERTY—

A broadly noteworthy figure in legal circles in the State of Massachusetts is Judge Charles Crocker Hagerty, who for the past four years and more has served as justice of the Fourth District Court of Bristol county, Massachusetts. His long career at the bar, added to his natural ability as advocate and counselor, well fits him for the responsibilities of a judicial position. Judge Hagerty is a man of great breadth of spirit, profoundly familiar with the law, and keenly cognizant of the great responsibility which rests upon him as an administrator of justice. He is a son of Andrew and Emily H. (Lovell) Hagerty, his father a machinist by occupation, both parents now deceased.

Charles Crocker Hagerty was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, June 30, 1864. His education was begun in the local public school, and following his course at the Mansfield High School, he entered Comer's Commercial College, at Boston, then took up the study of law in the offices of Bennett & Hall, in Taunton, Massachusetts, and was admitted to the bar of his native State in 1900 as an attorney. After several years of activity in book-keeping and clerical work previous to studying law, Mr. Hagerty was active in practice in partnership with Judge Frederick S. Hall in Taunton, under the firm name of Hall & Hagerty. This partnership endured until May, 1919, when Judge Hagerty was appointed justice of the Fourth District Court of Bristol county to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Fred B. Byran. His record thus far on the bench has been one of honor and distinction, and Judge Hagerty is considered one of the outstanding figures in the profession in Bristol county. He is affiliated with the First National Bank of Mansfield, and is a director and for a number of years has been active in local public affairs, having filled the office of town clerk and treasurer of the town of Mansfield for five years prior to his admission to the bar. He has been a member of Mansfield Board of Trade since its organization, and bears a constructive part in all local advance. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Judge Hagerty married, on September 1, 1900, at Mansfield, Massachusetts, Alma M. Sawyer, daughter of Josiah and Phoebe Sawyer.

**RALPH W. FRENCH, M.D.**, as a member of the surgical staff of the Truesdale Hospital, of Fall

River, holds a leading position among the surgeons of Bristol county. A native of this city and trained for the profession in one of the foremost institutions of America, Dr. French has given to his work not only the skill acquired by training and experience, but the love of his profession and the keen interest in it which counts for so much in the healing art. Dr. French is a son of Enoch J. French, who was born in Fall River, and is a noteworthy figure in the cotton textile industry in Massachusetts, and treasurer of the Westamoe Mills, of Fall River. His mother, Ella (Winward) French, is also a native of Fall River.

Ralph W. French was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, October 4, 1883. First attending the public schools of his native city, he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1902. He spent the next year at the Stone School in Boston, and then entered upon the course in the liberal arts at Harvard University, with the class of 1907. He was a member of the Phoenix, Institute of 1770, and Hasty Pudding Clubs in college. Completing the four years' course in three years, he took up his professional work in the fall of 1906, when he entered Harvard University Medical School, from which he was graduated in 1910 as a *cum laude* man, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Dr. French then served as an interne at the Massachusetts General Hospital during 1910 and 1911. In 1912 he located in Fall River as a surgeon on the staff of The Truesdale Hospital, and has now for twelve years ably filled this position. His marked success has contributed much to the prosperity and standing of the institution and has placed him among the leading surgeons of New England. Dr. French is a member of the American Medical Association, a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a member of the New England Surgical Society, and the Massachusetts and Fall River Medical Societies. By political affiliation he is a Republican, and he attends the Baptist church. His residence is at No. 222 Belmont street, Fall River.

**CHARLES PERRY DAVIS**—The amount of milk consumed in Fall River is estimated to total about 40,000 quarts daily, and of this amount the Fall River Dairy Company, Charles P. Davis, president and general manager, supplies about 10,000 quarts, all of which is brought in by trucks from nearby sanitary dairies. Mr. Davis has been engaged in the milk business since the age of thirteen, when he drove a milk wagon for his father, serving customers in Fall River. He started in business for himself in Fall River in 1896, and there has been continuously in the milk business as a dealer. That business is inherent in the Davis family, they having been sellers of milk in Fall River, Bristol county, for one hundred years, Charles P. Davis being of the fourth generation to so engage. He is the second born of the eight children of Jonathan and Hannah M. (Macomber) Davis, his father a dairyman and farmer, born in Westport, Massachusetts, in 1852, dying in 1917.

his mother born in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, yet living, 1924.

Charles P. Davis was born in North Westport, Massachusetts, August 9, 1873, and there attended public school. At the age of thirteen he began peddling milk in Fall River, at which time the family removed to Swansea, Massachusetts, where he continued the same line of business until the present time (1924). In 1902 he took his brother, Jonathan Davis, Jr., into partnership in the milk business as Davis Brothers. Five years later Davis Brothers consolidated with Walter E. Peckham and continued as the Peckham, Davis Company, milk dealers. Later that combination was dissolved and Charles P. Davis engaged in the milk business alone, continuing until 1919, when he was the leader in organizing the Fall River Dairy Company, Incorporated, Charles P. Davis, president and general manager. A plant was erected at No. 840 Bedford street and there a very large and prosperous business is conducted in all forms of dairy products. The company does its own pasteurizing, and has won public confidence through their strict adherence to all sanitary precautions and modern methods of safeguarding the purity of the milk they handle. Mr. Davis is a man of great energy and an untiring worker, his efforts being ably seconded by William Whitaker, treasurer; G. A. E. Gray, secretary; Jonathan Davis, Jr., Joe Dozois, J. R. Tickle, J. F. Banville, and E. Oulette, all directors, all these being actively engaged in the business, as well as stockholders and officials of the company. Mr. Davis is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Baptist Temple congregation. For a number of years he has been a member of the Milk Dealers' Association, is a member of Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and interested in all that pertains to the welfare of his city.

Mr. Davis married Mary E. Mason, born at Fall River, daughter of William and Maria Mason, her parents born in Swansea, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are the parents of two children; Wendell V. M., born October 2, 1903, now a student at New Hampshire University, class of 1926; and Barbara, born December 22, 1907, now a student at B. M. C. Durfee High School. The family home is at No. 44 Cottage street, Fall River.

**WILFRED ELLSWORTH ROUNSEVILLE, B. S., M. D.**—For the past twelve years Dr. Rounseville has been a leading medical practitioner of Attleboro, Massachusetts, and with his excellent preparation for his profession and the natural ability which led him to choose the field of medicine for his career, he has won a high position in local professional circles, and is esteemed alike among his colleagues of the medical profession and the people generally. Dr. Rounseville is a native of Attleboro, and a son of William A. and Caroline (Freeman) Rounseville, both natives of Attleboro, the father for many years active in the manufacture of jewelry. The mother died in February, 1917.

Wilfred Ellsworth Rounseville was born at Attle-

boro, Massachusetts, August 17, 1882. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following his graduation from high school, which occurred in the class of 1901, he entered Amherst College and was graduated from that institution in the class of 1905 with the degree of Bachelor of Science. Then entering upon his professional preparations at Harvard University Medical School, he received his medical degree in the class of 1909. Dr. Rounseville then became an interne at the Hartford Hospital, Hartford, Connecticut, and served in that capacity for two years, after which he returned to Attleboro and entered upon the private practice of medicine. He has gone forward with constantly increasing success, winning high rank among the professional men of the day in this city, and is highly esteemed both as a physician and as a leading citizen of Attleboro. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, is secretary of the staff of the Attleboro City Hospital, and also serves as city physician. His fraternal affiliations include membership in Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. John's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Knights of Malta; the New England Order of Protection, and Lions Club. He has for a number of years been affiliated with the Young Men's Christian Association as director, and by political faith is a Republican. He attends the Universalist church.

Dr. Rounseville married, May 16, 1911, in Massachusetts, Kathleen Robinson, daughter of William E. and Elizabeth (Field) Robinson, her father a druggist by trade in Auburn, Maine. Dr. and Mrs. Rounseville are the parents of four children: Robert F., born in 1912; Ellsworth A., born in 1913; Wilfred V., born in 1918; and David R., born in 1922.

**HENRY WILLIAM SHAY, A. M.**—The professional career of Henry W. Shay, which began with his admission to the Massachusetts bar in 1916, has been continued during the seven years which have since intervened in the city of Fall River, where as a member of the law firm of Higgins & Shay he has compiled a record of creditable achievement. He is a veteran of the war with Germany, 1917-18, and bears the marks of injuries received during his term of service. His father served Fall River as a captain of the fire department, and his grandfather as a member of the police department until his death. The name is an honored one, and was brought from the Emerald Isle in this branch by Patrick Shay, grandfather of Henry W. Shay of this review.

Patrick Shay, born in Ireland, came to the United States during the "forties" and settled at Fall River, Massachusetts. He was the first policeman appointed under the new city charter in 1857, and served under that appointment until his death.

William Francis Shay, son of Patrick Shay, the



"founder," became a fireman of Fall River, attaining the rank of captain. He served the city for more than twenty-five years, and in 1921 was placed upon the retired list. He married Bridget McTighe, born in Worcester, died in Springfield, Massachusetts, and they were the parents of two children; Henry W., of further mention, and C. Edward, of Boston, Massachusetts, manager for the John C. Moore Corporation.

Henry William Shay, son of William Francis and Bridget (McTighe) Shay, was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, February 3, 1887. He was brought to Fall River in childhood by his parents, and there attended the public schools, finishing with graduation from B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1905. He then entered Brown University, whence he was graduated Bachelor of Arts, class of 1909. He prepared for a professional career at Harvard Law School, attending that institution for two years. From 1911 until 1914 he was with the J. Reid Whipple Company, of Boston, hotel proprietors, and was connected with them in the White Mountains up to the fall of 1914.

He then attended the Catholic University of America, Washington, District of Columbia, entering on a Knights of Columbus scholarship, and pursued a course in constitutional law, receiving his master's degree in 1915. He also studied for the degree of Master of Philosophy, but before finishing that course he passed an examination in Massachusetts, and on January 15, 1916, was admitted to the bar of his native State. He left the University in March, 1916, and returned to Fall River, where he began the practice of law in the offices of ex-Mayor Thomas Higgins, with whom he remained until 1922, when he was admitted to a partnership under the firm name of Higgins & Shay. This association still continues (October, 1923), the partners standing high at the Bristol bar.

Mr. Shay is a member of the Fall River Bar Association, the Sons of Brown University, the American Legion, (past-commander), the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kiwanis Club, The Most Holy Name Roman Catholic Church, and in politics is a Democrat. He has taken an active interest in the American Legion, and at the National convention of the Legion held in Kansas City he represented Massachusetts, on the National Legislative Committee.

On May 1, 1918, Mr. Shay entered the United States Army at Fort Slocum, New York, was assigned to the Ordnance Corps, and sent to Camp Hancock, Georgia, for training at the Ordnance Supply School. He completed the course, July 27, 1918, and was transferred to the Ordnance Detachment of the Officers Training School at Camp Lee, Virginia. From October 18, 1918, until March 5, 1919, he was confined to his bed in the base hospital by wounds received in an accidental explosion of giant powder during experimental work, two soldiers being killed at the same time he was injured. On March 5, 1919, he was discharged from

the hospital, and the same day received his honorable discharge from the army.

**ALBERT BAILEY DRAKE**, who is a representative of the sixth generation of the Drake family in America, and whose ancestors prior to the American emigrants were members of a prominent English family of great antiquity, was born in Bristol county, Massachusetts, in the year 1859, and since that time has been actively identified with Bristol county progress and advance. As a civil engineer he has behind him a worthy record of vast experience and great achievements. As a citizen his public, civic and county works are irrefragable proofs of his sincerity, ability and innate patriotism.

William Drake, Esq., of Yardbury, Colyton, England, the first of the line herein followed, was buried in Temple Church, London, and his will, under the date of November 2, 1636, is still in existence. His wife, Margaret (Westover) Drake, was the daughter and heiress of William Westover, of Colyton. She was married to William Drake, November 14, 1620, and was buried at Colyton, England, on April 16, 1653 (?).

(1) Thomas Drake, the earliest American ancestor of Albert B. Drake, was born in Colyton, Devonshire, England, September 13, 1635. After the death of his father and mother, he followed his relative, John Drake, of Taunton, Massachusetts, and Windsor, Connecticut, to America about 1653-54. His sisters, Joane and Elizabeth, came with him. Joane Drake later was married to Thomas Randall, son of Robert Randall, of Weymouth; Elizabeth married Ezekiel Hamlin, of Boston, in the year 1654. Thomas Drake settled at Weymouth, Massachusetts, his name first appearing on the records of that town in a list of property owners in 1663. His name often appears on the land deeds and war records of that town, and shows that he took an active part in public affairs as well as in King Philips War. On June 24, 1676, he is listed as being a member of the garrison at Puncapouge, where he saw at least two months' service. His death occurred in Weymouth in the year 1691. He married (first) Jane Holbrook, daughter of Thomas and Jane Holbrook, of Weymouth. He married (second), March 9, 1691, Widow Millicent Carver, daughter of William Ford. Thomas Drake's children were: 1. Thomas, born about 1657. 2. John, born March 12, 1659. 3. William, born May 30, 1661. 4. Joseph, born October 28, 1663. 5. Amy, born February 3, 1666. 6. Elizabeth, born in Weymouth in 1670. 7. Benjamin, of whom further. 8. Experience, born in Weymouth in the year 1683.

(II) Benjamin Drake, seventh child of Thomas and Jane (Holbrook) Drake, was born in Weymouth, Massachusetts, January 15, 1677, in which town he died about the year 1759. In 1700 he bought in Taunton North Purchase fifty acres of land and a dwelling-house on what is now known as the Cynthia Drake road or Church street. In

1719 he acquired fifty of the one hundred acres of land in Middleboro called "Twelve Men's Purchase," and on December 19 of the same year he purchased a large estate from his oldest brother Thomas. At the first town meeting held in Easton (March 2, 1725-26) he was chosen first selectman, and was re-elected to this office seven successive times. In the year 1731 he held the office of town treasurer. Benjamin Drake was married in Weymouth, Massachusetts, to Sarah Pool, daughter of Samuel Pool, of Weymouth. Sarah (Pool) Drake was born about the year 1678, and died in Easton, December 24, 1775. Benjamin and Sarah (Pool) Drake were the parents of nine children, as follows: 1. Benjamin, born December 1, 1700. 2. Sarah, born October 20, 1703. 3. Joseph, born April 1, 1706. 4. Thomas, born in March, 1709. 5. John, born December 13, 1711. 6. William, born in January, 1715. 7. Richard, born in March, 1717. 8. Elizabeth, born December 21, 1719. 9. Robert, of whom further.

(III) Robert Drake, ninth and last child of Benjamin and Sarah (Pool) Drake, was born in November, 1723, and died February 2, 1797. He resided in Easton. He was a member of the First Militia Company of Easton (April 7, 1757). During the Revolutionary War he served in Rhode Island as a corporal in Captain Randall's company, Colonel George Williams' regiment. Later he was in the same company under the command of Colonel John Daggett. He married (first), April 15, 1746, Mary Fobes, born June 2, 1726, died April 12, 1774, a daughter of Benjamin and Martha (Hunt) Fobes. There were eight children by this marriage. He married (second), November 13, 1781, Widow Susannah (Chubbuck) Thorn, of Wareham, who was born in the year 1746, and who died October 9, 1828, at the age of eighty-two. There were six children by this second marriage. The fourteen children of Robert Drake were as follows: 1. Martha, born February 22, 1747. 2. Mary, born June 18, 1749. 3. Robert, born April 27, 1752. 4. Susanna, born September 15, 1754. 5. Noah, born January 23, 1757. 6. Lot, born April 20, 1761. 7. Sylvia, born June 30, 1771. 8. Bethuel, born September 5, 1773. 9. Willard, born August 18, 1783. 10. Sally. 11. Jonathan, of whom further. 12. Ambrose, born October 8, 1788. 13. Linus, born in September, 1791. 14. Charles Chauncey.

(IV) Jonathan Drake, eleventh child of Robert Drake and third child of Susannah (Chubbuck-Thorn) Drake, was born in December, 1787, and died June 23, 1867. He enlisted on August 10, 1814, from Easton, in Captain Noah Reed's company of Bristol county, Fourth Regiment, Second Brigade, Fifth Division, under Lieutenant-Colonel Benjamin Lincoln, and served at New Bedford in the Coast Guard Service. He married, December 25, 1814, Hannah Pratt, born October 27, 1789, died January 18, 1883, aged ninety-three years, a daughter of Enoch and Salome (Packard) Pratt. The children of Jonathan and Hannah (Pratt) Drake are as follows: 1. Hannah, born February

18, 1816. 2. Susannah, born September 11, 1818. 3. Salome, born July 17, 1819. 4. Sally, born January 16, 1821. 5. Abigail, born September 29, 1882. 6. Mary, born May 30, 1824. 7. Elizabeth Fuller, born October 15, 1825. 8. Jonathan Edwards, of whom further. 9. Linus Willard, born May 10, 1831. 10. William E., born June 25, 1833. 11. Phebe H., born September 11, 1836.

(V) Jonathan Edwards Drake, eighth child of Jonathan and Hannah (Pratt) Drake, was born at Easton, Massachusetts, July 7, 1829, and died at New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 15, 1878. He learned the trade of iron-moulder and followed that occupation in Springfield, Lowell and Easton, Massachusetts. From 1856 to 1866 he was in the woolen business at Mansfield, Massachusetts. He then resumed his vocation at Bridgewater (Keith's Station), Massachusetts, and at New Bedford, coming to the latter place in the year 1868. Jonathan Edwards Drake married, at Lowell, Massachusetts, May 16, 1853, Mary Eliza Bailey, a daughter of Joshua and Mary (Spring) Bailey, prominent and respected residents of Peterboro, New Hampshire. Mary Eliza (Bailey) Drake was born at Peterboro, September 26, 1826, and died at New Bedford, July 24, 1902, while in her seventy-sixth year. Jonathan Edwards and Mary Eliza (Bailey) Drake were the parents of six children, as follows: 1. Lewis Edwards, born April 8, 1854, in Easton. 2. Frederick Taylor, born September 11, 1855, died October 17, 1855, at Easton. 3. Harriet Ware, born January 24, 1857, in Mansfield, and died May 3, 1870, in New Bedford. 4. Albert Bailey, of whom further. 5. Flora Pratt, born January 3, 1863, in Mansfield, died in New Bedford, May 16, 1917. 6. Charles E., born December 30, 1864, in Mansfield, Massachusetts.

(VI) Albert Bailey Drake, the fourth child of Jonathan Edwards and Mary Eliza (Bailey) Drake, was born February 24, 1859, at Mansfield, Bristol county, Massachusetts. His early education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, following which he attended the high school of New Bedford, Massachusetts, upon his parents' removal to that place. Upon the completion of his high school course, he entered the employ of the New Bedford (then the Acushnet) Waterworks as a clerk, draftsman, and assistant city land surveyor. He remained with the waterworks until January, 1881, when he accepted a position with the Atlantic & Pacific (now a part of the Santa Fe) Railroad Company on the line between Albuquerque, New Mexico, and "The Needles" at the Colorado river in Arizona. He served both as transitman in the location of a road across Arizona, and as division engineer in charge of construction, and in addition for a period of six months acted as assistant in charge of the field engineering work on the entire length of the road, a distance of 560 miles. Mr. Drake returned to New Bedford in May, 1884, was elected city land surveyor, and held that office until May, 1893. He also served his city as superintendent of the Board of Public Works from the time of the board's inception

(1889) until 1895, and at the same time was both city forester and superintendent of parks. Mr. Drake has practiced his profession in New Bedford since May, 1884, and has been increasingly successful since that time, his ability and efficiency in his chosen vocation being par excellence and widely recognized.

Fraternally, Mr. Drake is affiliated with Acushnet Lodge, No. 41, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, which body he joined in the year 1885. He was one of the seven charter members of the Massachusetts Highway Association, and is an active member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Boston Society of Civil Engineers, and the New England Waterworks Association.

Albert Bailey Drake married, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 19, 1887, Minnie Elizabeth McAfee, daughter of John and Mary (Neely) McAfee, both of whom are now deceased. Minnie Elizabeth (McAfee) Drake died on June 6, 1916. To Mr. and Mrs. Drake was born one son, Edward.

(VII) Edward Drake, son of Albert Bailey and Minnie Elizabeth (McAfee) Drake, was born September 8, 1888. His early education was obtained in the public and high schools of New Bedford, his birthplace, following which he matriculated at Harvard University, taking a two years' course. Since the year 1908 he has been a civil engineer, in business with his father in New Bedford, Massachusetts, and is successful in the practice of his profession. He is a member of a number of technical societies.

Edward Drake married, September 8, 1916, at New Bedford, Margaret Anthony, daughter of Benjamin H. and Harriet (Peirce) Anthony. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Drake are the parents of five children, as follows: 1. An infant son, born and died April 12, 1917. 2. Edward, Jr., born August 11, 1918. 3. Albert Bailey, II, born March 25, 1921. 4. Charles Peirce, born July 17, 1922. 5. Charlotte Peirce, born August 27, 1923.

Albert Bailey Drake and his son, Edward Drake, are active and interested in any worthy movement designed to promote interest in public welfare, or to better civic, municipal or county conditions, and to this end they give their moral, monetary and personal assistance.

**ROBERT G. MUNROE**—For more than thirty-five years Robert G. Munroe has been engaged in the building and contracting business in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, and many of the residents of the community are now living in residences which he built, sending their children to school buildings of his construction, and worshipping in a church edifice which he erected.

Mr. Munroe is a descendant of a long line of Scotch masons and builders, who for more than two hundred years have been engaged in building residences and public buildings. On his grandmother's side he is descended from shoe manufacturers by the name of Douglas, that came to Plymouth and settled generations ago.

Alexander Munroe, father of Robert G. Munroe, retired from business in 1888, and traveled through Canada and the United States, finally settling in Plainville, Massachusetts, where he died in 1914. The death of his wife, Marguerite (Murchey) Munroe, occurred in 1886.

Robert G. Munroe was born in Scotland, January 1, 1867, after receiving the good, practical education afforded in the public schools of his native land, he learned the carpenter's trade. In 1887, when he was twenty years of age, he came to this country and settled, for a time, in Boston, Massachusetts, where he took up the mason part of the trade with his brother and cousin, who were established in Everett, Massachusetts. Soon, however, he removed to North Attleboro, Massachusetts, and there he has remained during the more than three decades which have passed since that time. He at once engaged in business for himself as a contractor and builder, and his skill and excellent business methods immediately gained him the respect and esteem of his fellow-citizens. Well satisfied patrons soon brought to him others, who were anxious to engage the services of the young Scotchman, who built his foundations so strongly and so firmly and who built structures which passed the inspection of the oldest inhabitants, receiving nothing but commendation. Probably no other one person in the township has built more places of residence or more public buildings in North Attleboro and vicinity than has Mr. Munroe. The construction of many school buildings, of several churches, and of many other public buildings, including the huge bank building on North Washington street, North Attleboro, have been conducted under his supervision. Politically Mr. Munroe gives his support to the Republican party. He has many friends in North Attleboro who value him highly not only as an expert in his line of business activity, but also as a personal friend.

In Plainville, Massachusetts, in 1896, Robert G. Munroe married Ida Dennis, daughter of Anson Dennis, a contractor of Providence, Rhode Island, and of Alice (Sutton) Dennis, of East Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Munroe are the parents of two children: Ernest Everett, who was born in 1897, and is now engaged in the contracting business in association with his father; and Gladys Alice, who was born in 1904, now a student of Emerson College of Oratory. The family residence is located in Plainville, Massachusetts, which Mr. Munroe designed and erected in 1895.

**BIRTWELL STAFFORD**—Among the late citizens of Fall River, Massachusetts, and widely known in the real estate and insurance business, was John Foster Stafford, father of Birtwell Stafford. He purchased the concern which for many years had been operated by Messrs. Durfee & Chase, reorganized it under the name of the John F. Stafford Company, and built up one of the most progressive real estate, insurance and brokerage concerns in the city.



John Foster Stafford was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 15, 1875, and this city had always been the seat of his many activities. He succeeded W. B. M. Chase in 1918, the firm having operated under the name of Chase & Stafford for four years previously. Prior to this (1914), the firm name was W. B. M. Chase & Company, and it had its inception in 1881, when it was founded by George N. Durfee and W. B. M. Chase under the name of Durfee & Chase. This he continued to conduct up to the time of his death in 1920. In September, 1920, the firm came under a trusteeship and has since been operated by Mr. Stafford's son and associates. John F. Stafford was prominent in many of the city's industrial, financial, fraternal and social affairs, among them being president of the Flint Mills; Cornell Mills; director of the Massachusetts-Pocasset National Bank; a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, holding the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and of other organizations and clubs. He married Maude Birtwell, a native of Fall River, and they had two children: John F., Jr., who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of the Royal Air Forces of the British Army during the World War; and Birtwell, of whom further.

Birtwell Stafford, son of John Foster and Maude (Birtwell) Stafford, was born in Fall River, December 15, 1899. After attending the public schools of Fall River, he became a student in Westminster School, of Simsbury, Connecticut, from which he was graduated in 1918. In the fall of 1920 he became associated with the John F. Stafford Company. His connection with that concern has been maintained to the present time (1923). During the three years which have passed since the death of his father, he has devoted his full time and energy to the advancement of its interests. He is a member of King Philip's Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; he is also well known in club circles, being a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Quequechan Club, the Fall River Kennel Club, the Boys' Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the Fall River Chamber of Commerce. His religious affiliation is with the Union Methodist Church.

In Boston, Massachusetts, in June, 1921, Birtwell Stafford married Eleanor D. Lowe, who was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, daughter of Stephen C. and Mary Esther (Carter) Lowe, both natives of Brookline, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Stafford have no children.

**GEORGE ALBERT CHACE**—Ten generations of the Chace (Chase) family can be traced in New England, George Albert Chace being of the eighth, Dr. Fenner A. Chace being of the ninth, his son, Fenner Albert (2), of the tenth, beginning with William Chace, who came in 1630 with the Governor John Winthrop fleet. In England the family is traced as Chace until the middle of the fifteenth century to Thomas Chace, a descendant of the an-

cient family of Chesham. The family was seated in Chesham, Buckinghamshire, and bore arms:

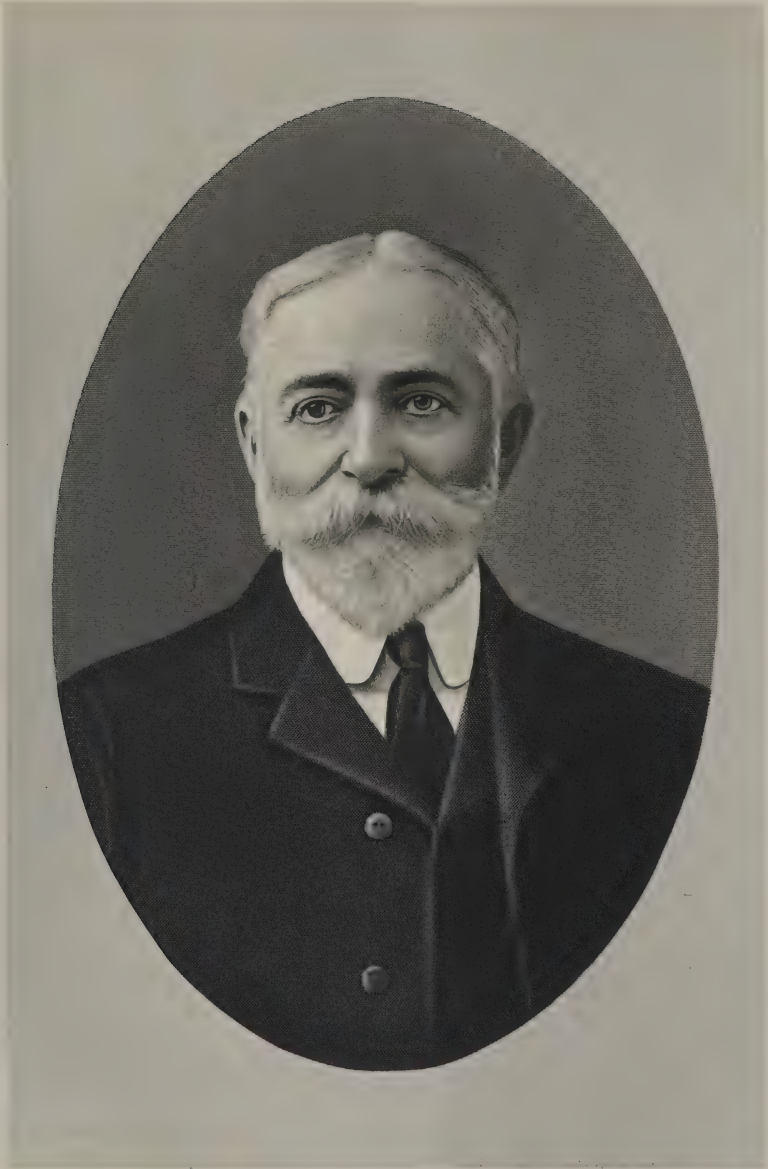
*Arms*—Gules, four crosses patonce argent, two and two, on a canton azure, a lion rampant or.

(1) From this family came William Chace, born in England in 1695, who came to New England in 1630, with his wife Mary and son William, settling first at Roxbury, where he was admitted a freeman, May 14, 1634. About 1637 he joined with others in founding the town of Yarmouth, on Cape Cod, where in 1639 he was made a constable, and there he died in May, 1659. By will he bequeathed to his wife Mary and two sons, William and Benjamin. His widow survived him until October, 1659. From William and Mary Chace descent is traced through (II) their son, William Chace, born in England about 1622; (III) his son, Joseph Chace, a member of the Society of Friends, and his wife, Sarah Sherman; (IV) their son, George Chace, and his wife, Lydia Shove; (V) their son, Benjamin Chace, and his second wife, Sarah Cornell; (VI) their son, Robert Chace, and his first wife, Deborah Chace; (VII) their son, Albert Gordon Chace, and his wife, Sarah Shearman Purinton; (VIII) their son, George Albert Chace, and his wife, Sarah A. Brownell, and (IX) their only son, Fenner Albert Chace, of Fall River.

George Albert Chace, of the eighth generation, was born in Somerset, Massachusetts, September 16, 1844, and died at Attleboro, Massachusetts, October 23, 1907. He enlisted at the age of seventeen in the Second Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, under Colonel Silas P. Richmond, and was in active service until mustered out in July, 1863. He then located at Fall River and there became master of the intricacies involved in cotton manufacturing, rising to a position of great responsibility. In 1874 he was elected treasurer and manager of the Shove Mills, operating 60,000 spindles and 1,500 looms. He also, in 1881, became manager and treasurer of the Bourne Mills of Fall River, which operated 43,000 spindles and 1,260 looms. He resigned his position as manager of the Shove Mills in 1884, but continued manager and treasurer of the Bourne Mills until his death, establishing in that plant a system of profit-sharing, which he warmly advocated the adoption of by other corporations. He was a pioneer in that now more popular plan of bridging the gap between the owners and their employees, and as a representative of the Association for Promoting Profit Sharing, he delivered a notable address, February 10, 1903, before the Economic Club of Boston, which attracted widespread attention.

Mr. Chace was a prime mover in establishing the Boys' Club in Fall River, was its president and ever its warm friend. He was a vice-president of the Young Men's Christian Association; a generous giver to organized charity; a deacon of the First Christian Church, and during the last twelve years of life, superintendent of the Sunday school. He was a lifelong student, one of his chief recrea-





*Geo. A. Chace*



tions being the study of languages, he acquiring some proficiency in seven foreign tongues.

George A. Chace, married, in 1870, Sarah A. Brownell, born June 22, 1843, only daughter of Fenner Brownell, of Fall River. To Mr. and Mrs. Chace was born a daughter and a son: 1. Eleanor Sarah, a graduate of Wellesley College, class of 1894, and of Johns Hopkins Medical School, M. D., 1901; married, January 23, 1907, Dr. Edward Herbert of Fall River. 2. Fenner Albert, a sketch of whom follows. Mrs. Chace survives her husband and resides in the old Chace home, No. 373 North Main street.

**FENNER ALBERT CHACE, M. D.**—A graduate of Harvard University, A. B., M. D., Dr. Chace brought to the practice of medicine in Fall River, Massachusetts, the city of his birth, culture, professional learning and zeal, medicine being his preference in choosing a career. For nearly two decades he has given of that learning and ability to his community, and as a specialist in dermatology he is serving the city to which his father came in 1863, a veteran of the Civil War. He inherited from his father a taste and a talent for business, and upon the latter's death in 1907 Dr. Chace succeeded him on the directorate of the Bourne Mills, of Fall River, Massachusetts. But it is as a physician that Dr. Chace will ever be known and remembered, as well as for his humane, sympathetic, benevolent nature, which leads him into many forms of private and institutional charities. He is of the ninth generation of the family founded in New England by William Chace in 1630, and of the English family traced to Thomas Chace, who flourished in the middle of the fifteenth century.

Fenner Albert Chace, only son of George Albert and Sarah A. (Brownell) Chace (see preceding sketch), was born January 9, 1875, at Fall River, Massachusetts, and there he is now (1923) a successful practicing physician. He passed through the public schools of his city, finishing with graduation from B. M. C. Durfee High School, graduating A. B., class of ninety-seven, and later chose medicine as his profession and prepared at Harvard Medical School, receiving his M. D., class of 1905. He then completed a course of training in the department of skin diseases, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, and in May, 1906, he began practice in Fall River, and eighteen months later he gave up general practice and has since practiced as a specialist in diseases of the skin, a form of practice in which he has been very successful. Dr. Chace as a dermatologist, is one of the leading physicians of his city and well known throughout Bristol county. He enjoys the respect and esteem of his contemporaries of his profession, the confidence of those who have known him professionally, and the high regard of a large circle of personal friends.

Dr. Chace is connected professionally with Union Hospital of Fall River; is a member of the Fall River Medical Society; Massachusetts Medical Society; American Medical Association; the New

England Dermatological Society, and of the American Electro-Therapeutic Society. In the business world he is a director of the Bourne Mills, and in welfare work serves as a director of the Boys' Club, taking a large share of the work and responsibilities of that excellent institution, continuing the work formerly carried on in the Boys' Club and in the Sunday school of the First Christian Church, of which he is superintendent. He is second vice-president of the Association of Community Welfare; a member of the First Christian Church, and interested in many good causes. In politics he is an Independent Republican.

Dr. Chace married, on February 19, 1907, Mary Deane Buffinton, daughter of Charles Darius and Sabrina M. Buffinton, of Fall River. Dr. and Mrs. Chace are the parents of a son, Fenner Albert (2), born October 5, 1908.

**BION C. PIERCE**—At the head of an outstanding enterprise in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Bion C. Pierce holds a noteworthy position as president and general manager of the Pierce Hardware Company of Taunton, which is called the second largest hardware store, from the standpoint of complete and well selected stocks, in New England. Experienced in his present field of commercial activity, and possessing natural business ability of a high order, Mr. Pierce has contributed much to the prosperity of Taunton through his thorough knowledge of the business and his boundless energy in carrying this enterprise to its present leading position. A native of this city, he is a member of a family long identified with the progress of this county, and is a son of Simeon A. Pierce, who was born in Dighton, Massachusetts, and was active as a mason contractor until his death, which occurred in 1914. Simeon A. Pierce was a man of more than usual prominence in the community, always interested in all that pertained to its growth and development, and commanded the esteem of all with whom he came in contact. The mother, Melissa A. (Reed) Pierce, who was born in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, died in 1904.

Bion C. Pierce was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 23, 1864. Receiving a broadly practical education in the local public schools, he started life, when still scarcely more than a boy, in the employ of F. R. Washburn, with whom he remained for about five years. He then associated himself with P. W. Hewins, who was at that time one of the leading hardware dealers of Taunton. In November, 1887, Mr. Pierce and Mr. Crapo bought the business and operated it as a partnership under the name of the Pierce Hardware Company. The business has been operated as a corporation since the year 1892, and until 1912 Mr. Pierce acted as treasurer, but since the latter date he has been president of the organization. He has been general manager ever since, originally taking over the interest from Mr. Hewins. Its location at No. 15 Main street has never been changed, but from time to time additions have been made to

the original structure to meet the constantly growing demands of the business, and the interior fittings and equipment have been modernized as rapidly as the movement of the times suggested improvements. In addition to the usual stock of hardware, of which the most complete assortment is always on hand, they handle paints, agricultural machinery, electrical materials, supplies, tires, iron and steel hanger pulleys, batteries, manufacturers' and mill supplies of every description, and it is hardly possible to think of any article which could logically be included in the general group termed hardware which is not to be found in their stock. In addition to the great main store and offices on Main street, they also occupy a building on Weir street, which is used as a shipping department, and a large warehouse. They employ upwards of thirty-five people, and while the bulk of their business is within the city, their trade extends to a radius of fifteen miles.

Mr. Pierce has other important business affiliations, being a director of the New England Hardware Association, a trustee of the City Investment Trust Company and the Taunton Co-Operative Bank. He is a member, director, and one of the organizers of the Chamber of Commerce. He was at one time a member of Company F., Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. Fraternally he is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence; Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and is also a member of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His clubs are the Winthrop, the Rotary and the Segregansett Country. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Pierce married, in 1887, Abbie M. Leonard, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of William F. and Clara (Nickerson) Leonard. Mrs. Pierce's grandfather was one of the first men to manufacture stoves in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce are the parents of two children: Bion L., a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; was captain of the High School Cadets, now secretary of the Pierce Hardware Company; and Earl A., a graduate of the high school, and also served as lieutenant of the High School Cadets.

**LEWIS SHEPARD CHILSON**, vice-president and treasurer of the J. M. Fisher Company, has been identified with the jewelry business since completing his education. He is a son of Jonathan Draper and Jane (Shepard) Chilson, and his father, who was born in Bellingham, Massachusetts, is a railroad man. The mother, who was a school teacher, was born at North Easton, and died June 18, 1900.

Lewis Shepard Chilson was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, January 10, 1887. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following his completion of the high school course he entered

the Bryant & Stratton Business College at Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. Chilson's first business experience was in the factory of the Watson Company, where he learned the trade of jeweler and was active for about three years. He then became identified with the S. O. Bigney Company as superintendent, and after three years in this connection he accepted a position with the Bliss Brothers Company, where he remained until the year 1914. Mr. Chilson then affiliated himself with the J. M. Fisher Company as vice-president and treasurer, which offices he still ably fills. Mr. Chilson is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and is the first vice-president of the board of directors. As a young man he was active as a member of Company M, Massachusetts State Guard, serving two years with the rank of corporal. Fraternally he is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, No. 29, Knights Templar, of which he is a past commander; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and the Knights of Pythias. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is past president; a member of the board of directors of the North Purchase Cemetery, and his religious affiliation is with the Second Congregational Church. He was a director of the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade of Providence during the years 1918-1921; and is secretary of the Attleboro Sanitarium, Inc.

Mr. Chilson married, in 1913, Gertrude Horton Fisher, of Attleboro, daughter of John M. and Hannah Slade (Horton) Fisher, her father a native of Fisherville, Massachusetts, and her mother of Rehoboth, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Chilson are the parents of two children: Robert Fisher, born April 24, 1915; and Howard Fisher, born September 20, 1918.

**JOHN MELATIAH FISHER**—Few names have borne greater significance to the city of Attleboro than that of John Melatiah Fisher, whose activities in the industrial world have followed lines parallel with advance in every field of social, civic and benevolent progress. Beginning life with only the advantages of a common school education and identified early with the jewelry industry, Mr. Fisher won his way to a largely influential position as the leading executive of his own important enterprise, and his farsighted wisdom in governing the affairs of the business was no less a factor in the success than the benevolence with which he met the coöperation of every associate and employee. At the time of his death Mr. Fisher possessed countless friends, and his loss was keenly felt in the community-at-large, as well as in the business circles in which for so many years he had been known.

The Fisher family is an old one in Bristol county,



Massachusetts, and Samuel Emulus Fisher, father of John M. Fisher, was a farmer of Fisherville in this county, a man of highest integrity, devoted to his family, and a man whose every relation in life brought out his worthiness. He lived on the old Fisher homestead located in what is now a part of Attleboro and known as Fisherville, the homestead being located on the line dividing Attleboro and North Attleboro. Samuel E. Fisher married Cordelia Dorothy White, and they were the parents of eight children, of whom two sons and two daughters died in childhood and four grew to maturity. Tisdale Fisher, an elder brother of John M. Fisher, served for eleven months in the Civil War as a member of the Forty-seventh Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry.

John Melatiah Fisher, youngest child of Samuel E. and Cordelia D. Fisher, was born at the family homestead in Fisherville, October 23, 1850. Securing a practical, although limited, education in the public schools of Attleboro, he gained his first business experience in the employ of John M. Bates, where he assisted an elder brother making sabers which were used in the army. He was only twelve years of age when he took up this activity, and following the close of the war and the cessation of the industrial activities incident thereto he entered the employ of Hayward & Briggs, jewelers of that day, and in this position his wages amounted to the munificent sum of five cents' per hour. Mr. Fisher's first independent venture in the business world was in the dry goods field. For a time he had been in partnership with Henry Stetson, but the two agreed that the business was not sufficiently prosperous to warrant the attention of more than one executive. Accordingly they decided upon selling one to the other through sealed bids, and upon the opening of the bids it was found that Mr. Fisher offered \$1 and Mr. Stetson had enclosed in his envelope a blank. Thereby the business became Mr. Fisher's sole possession, and his ability was quickly demonstrated by the fact that it immediately began to thrive. Later Mr. Fisher established an innovation in Attleboro in the form of a five and ten cent store in the basement of his dry goods store, and this added largely to the success of the enterprise. Mr. Fisher eventually engaged in the manufacture of jewelry, and for several years Mrs. Fisher conducted the store, attending to the purchase of stock and all other details of management. The store was finally sold to Harry Deacon. In 1879 Mr. Fisher, in partnership with Charles R. Harris, established the firm of Harris & Fisher for the manufacture of jewelry. Beginning business on the top floor of a structure then known as the Old Bailey Carriage shop, the first brick factory on Railroad street, they soon developed a prosperous interest. "Captain" Josiah Ryder was associated with them for a time. The growth of the business extended their plant to a part of the middle floor of the original building, then with the erection of the first brick building on Union street in 1880, they removed to

that building. The withdrawal of Mr. Harris in 1885 left Mr. Fisher alone for a short time, but he soon received into equal partnership Stephen A. Briggs, the firm name becoming J. M. Fisher & Company. Twelve years later Mr. Briggs withdrew and at that time Frederick W. Lincoln, Ernest J. Qvarnstrom and John W. Simmonds purchased an interest in the firm, the firm name remaining the same. Mr. Qvarnstrom withdrew in the year 1899. The other associates went forward as a partnership until April 1, 1909, when the interest was incorporated as the J. M. Fisher Company, and the following year the plant was removed to the present headquarters in the Leach & Garner building at the corner of Pearl and James streets. The retirement of Frederick W. Lincoln and John W. Simmonds occurred in 1914, and later Lewis S. Chilson and Samuel M. Holman, Jr., purchased stock, Mr. Holman becoming vice-president and Mr. Chilson treasurer, Lizzie W. Perry acting as secretary. J. M. Fisher continued through all these changes as president of the concern, and through his wise leadership and the inspiration of his example and counsel the interest was carried to a leading position in the jewelry industry in Attleboro. The product of this company is comprised of medium and high grade jewelry, comprising at the beginning charms and locketts, but year by year new lines were added until many products are turned out, including nature jewels, pencils, knives, bracelets, novelties, belts and buckles, silk and metal fobs, and silk guard chains.

Had business alone commanded the attention of J. M. Fisher, his life work would indeed have been well worth while, but scarcely any movement of a worthy nature in Attleboro has been carried forward for many years without his definite and cordial coöperation. The campaign for prohibition was perhaps the work nearest his heart. When still a very young man he identified himself with the Good Templars and other organizations of that day, looking toward this end, and in the campaign for John P. St. John as president in the year 1884, Mr. Fisher's efforts were largely responsible for the fact that he received fifty-eight votes in the Attleboros. From the early years of the movement Mr. Fisher had the utmost confidence in the eventual triumph of what he believed to be right, and it was with the joy of the conqueror in a worthy cause that he watched from the lobby of the United States Senate the vote to submit the Eighteenth Amendment to the Nation for ratification. Mr. Fisher's financial contributions to every effort for the prohibition cause were lavish, and always forthcoming at the moment when it seemed that it would do the most good. One of his latest public acts was the gift of \$1,000 to the Board of Temperance and Prohibition, having headquarters at Washington, District of Columbia. Mr. Fisher's personal ambitions as a public servant were the least of his care, but in the year 1900 he was nominated for Governor of the State of Massachusetts on the Prohibition party ticket, and on that oc-

casian he won more votes in his home town than the Democratic nominees, receiving two hundred and fifty-eight, a plurality of eighty-four over the Democratic nominee. He was the only public office for which Mr. Fisher ever accepted the candidacy. He was for many years an honorary member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, and retained his keen interest in temperance work until the last.

Mr. Fisher was affiliated with the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade of Providence, Rhode Island, and served as a director during the years 1891, 1892 and 1893. He was a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and served as director of the Attleboro Trust Company. Fraternally he was affiliated as a charter member with the Ancient Order of United Workmen. Benevolent and social advance always commanded his earnest attention, and he was a leading member of the Young Men's Christian Association in the early days when the organization met in a rear room adjoining Harding's Drug Store. Although during the last few years of his life he was no longer a member, he continued his interest in the organization and gave liberally to its support until his death. He was also president of the Board of the Attleboro Sanitarium II. The sanitarium was built by Mr. Fisher at an expense of over \$500,000 and was given by him to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1918 to be used by that organization as a place where "tired folks get rested and sick folks get well." At the age of about sixteen years Mr. Fisher affiliated himself with the Methodist Episcopal church of Attleboro, Rev. H. D. Robinson being one of his first pastors. When the first church edifice of this society was built in Attleboro, in 1866, Mr. Fisher pledged \$100 for the building fund, although he was then only sixteen years of age. He has since contributed many thousands of dollars to the support of this church, and endowed the church with the sum of \$10,000, giving a similar amount to the centenary fund, also to the Attleboro Sanitarium, and to the Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal church. Added to these benefactions were many annual gifts to missionary and charitable objects, both connected with the church and with the city government, but he always felt that the first pledge of \$100 to the erection of the church building was the most significant of his career, as it was not a gift from funds which he held but must be saved from a small weekly wage. Not long before his death he gave \$1,000 to the conference claimant fund of the Methodist church. Mr. Fisher's passing removed from the city of Attleboro one of those men whose every daily act counted for progress and well being in the community. His gifts of money to the various purposes were only the concrete expression of his lifelong dedication of himself to the highest purposes and the noblest ideals. His career was an example not only of high achievement but of largely worthy beneficence, and his memory will long be cherished in Attleboro not

only among his associates but among all the people.

Mr. Fisher married, June 10, 1877, Hannah Slade Horton, of Rehoboth, Massachusetts. He has two twin daughters, Gertrude Horton and Grace Ellen, who are now Mrs. Lewis S. Chilson and Mrs. Samuel M. Holman, Jr. There are four grandchildren, Robert F. and Howard F. Chilson and Warren F. and Ellen F. Holman.

**REV. MANUEL S. TRAVASSOS**—For the past seven years Rev. Father Manuel S. Travassos has served as pastor of the Espirito Santo Roman Catholic Church of Fall River, and under his care this parish has prospered largely. The work which he has done and the devoted spirit in which he has gone forward as a leader of the people have meant much not only to the church and its growth but to the community and its prosperity. Father Travassos is a man of progressive and benevolent spirit, and his heart is wrapped up in his work.

Father Travassos was born on St. Miguel's Island of the Azores group off Portugal, January 10, 1873. His education was received at Seminary Augra of Terceira Island of the Azores, where he was ordained to the priesthood, October 1, 1899, the Very Rev. Bishop Francisco Joseph de Brito officiating. Father Travassos was first appointed as assistant priest at the Church of the Holy Cross, Lagoa, St. Miguel's Island, where he served for five years, after which he was appointed pastor of the Church of the Holy Rosary in this same town. After serving for two years in this parish, he came to the United States and was appointed as assistant priest at St. John's Church, New Bedford, Massachusetts, where he served for five years. At the end of this time Father Travassos was appointed pastor of the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Taunton, Massachusetts, where he served for three years, doing a great work and establishing the congregation more fully in the faith. In the year 1916 he was appointed to this present parish, the Church of Espirito Santo, Fall River, where he has since served with signal devotion.

He has done much for his congregation both in leading the people to higher levels of spiritual attainment, and in improving and beautifying the parish. He is building at this time (1923) a new and more beautiful church edifice on Cambridge street, Fall River, which will soon be completed and which is more closely in accord with the dignity and importance of the parish. The Espirito Santo parish is a large and influential one, and besides the usual associations and sodalities of the laity has a fine modern school with an enrollment of nearly four hundred pupils under the care of the Franciscan Sisters. During his stay in this charge Father Travassos has also built a church edifice for St. Elizabeth's Church, Maplewood, which comes within the boundaries of his parish as a mission church. In both these congregations he is deeply beloved, and his work is telling in a very marked degree for the spiritual growth and advance of the people and also for the material prosperity. He

gives to the many civic and welfare movements of the day the strength of his influence and cordial aid, and both among the people of his congregations and throughout the city he is esteemed and revered.

**RALPH P. KENT, M. D.**—Among the really noteworthy medical practitioners of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Dr. Ralph P. Kent holds a leading position, and in his activities is bearing a part in the general welfare. Dr. Kent is a member of an old family of Wrentham, a son of Harry P. and Etta Frances (Barney) Kent, both living, but the father now retired from active business.

Ralph P. Kent was born at Wrentham, Massachusetts, January 11, 1880. His education was begun in the local public schools and he attended high school in Attleboro, his graduation occurring with the class of 1898. Later entering Amherst College, he attended that institution with the class of 1902, but before his graduation, determined upon a career in the medical profession and entered Harvard University Medical School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1904, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Before the close of the same year Dr. Kent established himself in the practice of medicine in Attleboro and has continued active since along general lines, his success being a matter of definite attainments. Early winning this confidence of the people and cordially esteemed by all who know him, Dr. Kent has for years held an assured position in the community and is numbered among the really successful men in professional circles in Bristol county. He is a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. John's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also affiliated with Pythagoras Lodge, No. 170, Knights of Pythias; Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Pokonoket Lodge, Improved Order of Red Men; and is a member of the Highland Country Club and the Universalist Church.

Mr. Kent married, on November 8, 1905, Eva Louise Brown. Mrs. Kent was born in Attleboro, and is a daughter of Cecil W. Brown, and they are the parents of one son, Ralph P., Jr., born in 1913.

**SIDNEY OSBORNE BIGNEY**, of the S. O. Bigney Company, manufacturing jewelers, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, was born in Lower Wentworth, Cumberland county, Nova Scotia, November 4, 1854. He is the son of James and Sarah Jane (Black) Bigney. On the paternal side he comes from old historic French ancestry, being a

lineal descendant of Theodore Agrippa d'Aubigne, an eminent author and a brave and dashing soldier. On the maternal side, he is of Scotch descent, and a lineal descendant of Adam and Charles Black, of Edinburgh, well known in connection with Sir Walter Scott's works. The founder in this country was William Black, who came from Haddersfield, England, to Nova Scotia, in 1774. He was born in Paisley, Scotland, in 1727, whence he emigrated to England, and thence to Nova Scotia. William Black, Eng., Wesleyan divine, founded the Wesleyan Church in Nova Scotia, and became general superintendent of Wesleyan missions in British America.

Mr. Bigney received his education in his home town. At the age of eighteen, he left home and went to the United States. He served eight years in learning all branches of the jewelry industry. At the age of twenty-six, he formed a co-partnership with Charles A. Marsh, under the firm name of Marsh & Bigney. Later, he bought out Mr. Marsh, and the firm was known as the S. O. Bigney Company. His progress in the jewelry world was rapid. Today, he is the owner of one of the finest and largest jewelry plants in the country. He is president and treasurer of the S. O. Bigney Company, president and treasurer of the Bigney Real Estate Company, and a director of the Mossberg Pressed Steel Company. He belongs to a number of secret societies. He is a member of the Republican Club of Massachusetts, the Home Market Club, the Middlesex Club of Boston, the Intercolonial Club, and the Canadian Club of Boston. He was elected a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1904; was a delegate-at-large to the National Convention in 1908. He was selected to represent Massachusetts to notify Judge Taft, of Cincinnati, of his nomination for the presidency, and, at that time, he presented Judge Taft with a life-sized portrait of himself, from his friends in Massachusetts.

Colonel Bigney became prominent in 1906, as an advocate of tariff for a fixed minimum rate, and the maximum to be placed in the hands of the President, to be used at his discretion. He was elected to serve on Governor Guild's Council, from the Second District of Massachusetts. He was elected president of the first Board of Trade of Attleboro. He has been the representative of Massachusetts manufacturers on several occasions, when important legislations have been pending at Washington.

A jewelry manufacturer of international note, a public servant of broad usefulness, and a remarkable example of physical fitness in a day when too frequently a man's usefulness is over, soon after the half-century mark, Colonel Sidney O. Bigney is a distinguished and largely noteworthy American. Colonel Bigney's travels have given him a wide grasp of affairs and conditions in every part of the world and his utterances on various phases of human progress contain the sound sense of the eminently practical man and the keen vision of the progressive and lofty spirit. Rising in the field of



his choice by the usual steps which lead to the level of executive responsibility Colonel Bigney has now, for many years, stood at the head of the S. O. Bigney Company, manufacturing jewelers, whose activities have done much toward establishing and continuing the importance of the city of Attleboro as a center of this line of production.

Colonel Bigney's rare breadth of mind and benevolence of spirit are his most salient characteristics. Whatever interests the world interests him, and his constant thought is for the majority along whatever line of endeavor his attention may be claimed. It is most natural for Attleboro to think of him as one of the city's foremost public men, for in his services as a member of Governor Guild's Council his clear vision and forward-reaching attitude were of inestimable benefit to the people of the State. Colonel Bigney has always taken the deepest interest in national affairs and international relations and was one of the few men of this country to visualize before the catastrophe the recent troublous times which involved the leading nations of the world in war. While his views and prophecies were listened to with the respect which he invariably commands, the verity of his prophecies were questioned even by the most serious and broadminded thinkers of the epoch just prior to the war. At the dedication of the Attleboro Armory, December 16, 1910, when the governor of Massachusetts and various members of his staff, as well as a large group of military men were present, Colonel Bigney voiced a comprehensive outline of his beliefs with regard to world peace and the necessity for armed preparedness on the part of every nation. Although very few hearers agreed with his words, none doubted his absolute seriousness, and subsequent history made his words of more than passing significance; they were in part as follows:

It is a singular coincidence that this very moment, while we are dedicating this great armory to war for the purpose of training men to fight, that Andrew Carnegie is erecting a magnificent building at the Hague, where all questions of dispute between nations are to be settled, and also giving millions toward bringing about that era which has been so long hoped for, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

It is well that we are making an effort in a small way to prepare for emergencies. The most of you may not agree with me, from the fact that at the present moment there is a feeling and sentiment throughout the land that there will be no more wars, that the great differences between nations will be settled by arbitration. This to my mind, is impossible. The warring nations of the earth have been spending hundreds of millions of dollars, each preparing to destroy the other. There can be no "Peace on Earth" until that spirit of conquest, which is inbred and has come down to us through the ages, and is still alive in the human breast, is thoroughly cowed.

The boy in the school yard, if he feels he is a little bigger than his fellow, will attack him and rob him of his possessions. This same spirit of conquest is alive in the breast of humanity today. There will be in the near future one of the most terrific combats between nations the world has ever seen or dreamed of, the destructive engines of warfare which are the products of the greatest geniuses of the ages must and will be tried out, from the clouds and under the water, on land and sea will come forth the most deadly missiles of destruction that the world has ever conceived of.

The outcome will be so appalling and so dreadful in its destructiveness that it will astound and stagger humanity, and when the smoke has cleared away perhaps the civilized world

will cry out, "Enough! Enough!" Then it may be possible that all future differences between nations will be settled by arbitration, which will be the beginning of that era which we have all hoped and prayed for.

If I am correct in my deductions, then I want to say to you, my fellow-citizens, that this great and resourceful nation, in its unpreparedness to protect its own interest, will face a humility unthought of. Unpreparedness invites disaster, preparedness prevents it. It costs a whole lot more to get out of trouble than it does to keep out of trouble. Therefore the time is opportune to begin this preparedness. Think it over.

The Republican party has always commanded the unswerving allegiance of Colonel Bigney, and in his leadership, Republican circles in Massachusetts have found a strongly beneficent force. He has filled many important commissions, but the party looks forward toward his acceptance of even higher positions and feels that the nation has need of his activities in largely responsible offices. Colonel Bigney was delegate-at-large at the National Republican Convention in 1908 and his services on that occasion were only an augur of the later brilliant achievements which have made his name one of lasting significance to the commonwealth of Massachusetts. That such a life should be extended beyond the usefulness of the average man in period of time is due to the rational and practical theories by which Colonel Bigney has governed his own habits and customs. He looks back to a point at forty-five years of age when he felt that he had reached the height of his possible achievements. At that time he had the excellent sense to take council with himself and formulate a mode of living which, in the subsequent years, has proved his wisdom. In an interview published in the Boston "Traveler" for Sunday, March 10, 1923, Colonel Bigney gave a fundamental rule of living, with characteristic vigor, as follows:

First, we have got to learn to be commander-in-chief ourselves. We have got to order ourselves to do things and then see that we do them. It is this procrastinating state of mind that gets people nowhere. When you order yourself to do a thing, do it at once, and never put it off until tomorrow. Tomorrow so seldom comes.

He goes on to say in this connection:

#### WE EAT TOO MUCH:

I am not a faddist on this question of eating, but the simplest kind of reasoning will quickly prove that we are all eating too much. People are eating because what they eat tastes good. That is the method employed by the drunkard who drank himself to death. I can eat three times as much as I do eat and enjoy the taste of it. But life is more than intemperate taste.

The glutton is infinitely worse than the drunkard. When drinking was at its height, one person died because of overdrinking as against seven from overeating. One cannot overeat constantly, simply because he cannot resist the taste, and then hope to find perfect health in bottles sold in drug stores. That is the line of least resistance, and nothing worth while can ever hope to be obtained without effort.

Proper posture and diet are the secrets of good health. The simplest study will allow one to regulate his diet properly, and a few exercises each morning on rising will take care of the posture. And one must adhere strictly to the program.

Such a program immediately put me in shape. I have far greater endurance today than I had at forty-five. I can walk from Attleboro to Boston—thirty-two miles—without fatigue. I can dance from eight in the evening until two A.M. without a tired muscle. I have a ballroom in my home at Attleboro, you know. I play tennis and thrill with the glow of it. And it is all due to the simple fact that I followed a set program.







*George T. Franklin*

Anyone can do the same if he will only make up his mind to do so. People are lazy and are not taking advantage of the wonders which life has to offer—that is all.

Colonel Bigney's choice of recreative interests is travel, and he has spent many months in various parts of the world, seeking out-of-the-way places, as well as enjoying the well worn lanes of travel. The hardships of exploration have no terrors for him, and some years ago he spent considerable time in an expedition through South America up the Rio Congo river. He is intimately familiar with the Panama Canal zone and has motored through many of the States of his own country. He has traveled in England, France, Germany, Switzerland, Holland, and other countries in Europe.

In June, 1876, Mr. Bigney married Henrietta Stevens, the adopted daughter of Benjamin Stevens, of Wentworth, Nova Scotia. Of this union was born Harold Osborne Bigney.

**GEORGE WILLIAM RANKIN**—Opportunity to pay tribute to the Fall River librarian, George William Rankin, for direction, counsel and the provision of an abundance of literary and historical material in sourcework for this publication, herewith presents itself.

Mr. Rankin, this present year (1924) rounds out a half-century as bibliophile, custodian of books, and public adviser for their selection and reading; and, as one of the inevitable results, his friendships are many and well proven throughout the county and State, among librarians, literati and the citizenry-at-large. During the greater portion of these fifty years, it has been Mr. Rankin's aim to broaden and extend the influence of the library in the community, and it is largely due to his practical vision, his well known executive energy, and his unbiased belief in the increasing popular needs in the bookish world that the public library has become a peerless Fall River institution, and one that maintains a high place among the libraries in the State. Always accessible to the inquiries of the reading public, of whatever station in life, and having completely in hand the minute details of the present-day institution which he has been instrumental in establishing, he is also an absorbent reader of works that have world-wide purpose, both in science and in general literature. Fall River folk, therefore, hold in equal regard both the institution and the man at its head.

As to Mr. Rankin's parentage and birth. His father, George Rankin, was born in Lebanon, York county, Maine, December 4, 1806. His earlier years were passed in Maine; later he removed to Boston, Massachusetts, where he became engaged in the retail lumber business which he carried on successfully until 1862; after the outbreak of the Civil War, on account of the general financial depression which followed, he gave up his business and returned to Maine, where he purchased a residence in Berwick, near the old homestead; there he lived, retired, until his death in 1884. While in business in Boston he resided for some years in Dorchester,

and represented his district in the General Court. He married, on August 22, 1839, Laura A. Grant, born in Warren, Rhode Island, October 11, 1817, who died April 6, 1852, in Boston, Massachusetts.

George William Rankin was born in Boston, Massachusetts, May 23, 1847. He received his education in the public schools of Boston and Dorchester, and for a brief period thereafter he was variously employed in Maine and in Boston. He came to Fall River in 1870, where directly he applied himself to reading for study's sake, with an inclination towards historical research and travel. In carrying on his studies he made extensive use of the public library, and thereby he became acquainted with the late Hon. Charles J. Holmes and other members of the board of trustees, to the end that he was later employed as a clerical assistant in the preparation of a new catalogue of the library in 1873. On May 16, 1874, he was appointed by the trustees as assistant librarian and cataloguer. Thus was initiated lifelong interest and a consecrated labor in his ever-broadening field of educational work. And thus he has shared in the upbuilding of an institution whose books alone, in fifty years, have increased in numbers from about 10,000 to 125,000 volumes. It was on December 9, 1905, that Mr. Rankin was appointed librarian, and he has held that position continuously to the present time. He is master not only of the range of contents of his library, but is recognized as an authority concerning the varying values of general literature. His membership with both the American Library Association and the Massachusetts Library Club is highly regarded in both organizations. In the republic of books, democratic, generous, resourceful, he is more than a local leader.

Mr. Rankin married, at Fall River, on August 6, 1891, Hattie Amanda Sharples, born on March 29, 1857, in Webster, Massachusetts, and who died on October 24, 1920, in Fall River. She was the daughter of William E. and Sarah J. (Briggs) Sharples, the father being of English parentage.

**REV. GEORGE F. CAIN**—A thoroughly representative figure in ecclesiastical circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Rev. George F. Cain, whose position as pastor of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, of Taunton, is not only of honor to himself but of large significance to the community. Father Cain's usefulness in the city of Taunton, as well as in the congregation over which he has charge, is well known to all who are familiar with the civic progress of this municipality, and worthily to review the many endeavors by which he has endeared himself to his people would be impossible in the limits of a work of this nature. But in the hearts of the people, the esteem and confidence which are yielded to his leadership are vital influences in the local advance. Father Cain is a son of Michael and Mary (St. Onge) Cain, esteemed farming people of Massachusetts, both deceased, the father's death occurring in 1898 and that of the mother in 1913.

Rev. George F. Cain was born at Abbotsford, Canada, October 4, 1870. His early education was received in the public schools of his birthplace and he took up his classical studies at St. Rafael's College, at Nicolet, Canada, after which he entered upon his studies in philosophy and theology at the Grand Seminary, in Montreal, Canada, from which he was ordained. Father Cain's first appointment was as assistant at St. Anthony's Church, in New Bedford, Massachusetts, where he served for seven years. He was then appointed assistant pastor of Sacred Heart Church, at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, where he served for six months, then St. Ann's Church, New Bedford, then was transferred to St. Matthew's Church, in Fall River, Massachusetts, serving there as pastor for one year. He was then appointed to St. Paul's Parish, in Taunton, and in connection with his duties as pastor of this church he has charge of the mission parish of St. Mary's in Norton. In all his activities Father Cain has given to the work placed in his hands the large natural ability which he has consecrated to the furtherance of Christian work, and his devoted endeavors have been productive of great and lasting good. Ceaseless in his efforts for the up-building of his parish and for the individual welfare of every member of his congregation, both spiritually and materially, he is deeply beloved among his own people and commands the respect of every ecclesiastical worker, regardless of denominational differences. He is a leader in all those societies of the laity which cement the activities of the church into one large group. He is a leader in the Taunton Council, Knights of Columbus, and in every movement for the public advance, he is a definite and constructive worker.

**HARRY E. HULL**, born and reared in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, and having spent his lifetime in the jewelry industry in this section, has won high rank in this field of endeavor, and his ability as an executive is finding ample scope in his present position as vice-president of the Le Stage Manufacturing Company, of North Attleboro, Massachusetts. Mr. Hull is an eminently practical man, and in his constant endeavors to forward the interests of this enterprise, he is contributing also to the general progress of the city.

Harry E. Hull is a son of John G. and Nancy M. Hull. The elder Mr. Hull was born at Waterbury, Connecticut, and was a jeweler by occupation throughout his active career. He is still living, although retired from business, and is one of the few remaining veterans of the Civil War, having served with honor and distinction in that struggle as a member of Company I, Seventh Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry.

Harry E. Hull was born at Sharon, Massachusetts, August 31, 1874. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he made definite and comprehensive preparation for a commercial career at the Bryant and Stratton Business College, at Providence, Rhode Island. Following the completion of his studies, Mr. Hull learned the trade of

jeweler in the employ of the H. D. Merritt Company, where he was active for three years. Thereafter he was identified with T. I. Smith for five years, then accepted a position as foreman, in the employ of William H. Bell, where he continued for about five years. Then for three years Mr. Hull was employed by the J. F. Sturdy Company, after which he formed a partnership with Mr. Barden, under the firm name of Barden & Hull, and together they conducted a thriving business in the manufacture of gold jewelry for about nine years. Disposing of his holdings in this enterprise, Mr. Hull then associated himself with Donald Le Stage in the founding of the Le Stage Manufacturing Company, of North Attleboro; this was in 1915 and the plant was at that time equipped only with the stock and tools just purchased from the B. S. Freeman Company. These progressive men developed the interest rapidly, and in 1917 the business was removed to its present location, No. 11 Jay street, where they occupy an entire floor and employ about seventy-five hands. Entering the organization, as he did, upon its inception, Mr. Hull has been an active factor in its progress, which has been very rapid and has attained a high level of achievement. The product of the concern comprises chains, lockets, and bracelets, and the present personnel of the corporation is as follows: Donald Le Stage, president and treasurer; Harry A. Hull, vice-president; and Fred L. Jones, secretary. Mr. Hull is further affiliated with the business world of North Attleboro as vice-president of the North Attleboro Board of Trade, on which he has served for ten years, and as a director and a trustee of the Attleboro Savings Bank.

Politically he is affiliated with the Republican party, is a member of the Republican Town Committee, but is not interested in political affairs except as a progressive citizen. He serves as vice-chairman of the local Red Cross, a director in the Young Men's Christian Association, and is a director of the Angle Tree Fish and Game Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of North Attleboro; Rabboni Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Mirimichi Lodge, Improved Order of Red Men. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church.

Mr. Hull married, August 16, 1896, Abbie D. Follett, of North Attleboro, daughter of Napoleon B. and Abbie (Eggleston) Follett.

**LOUIS ALEXANDER DRAPE**—In 1875, Louis A. Drape, then a lad of fourteen, started business as a fish dealer, selling from a cart drawn by a horse, both the cart and the horse being his own property. Forty-eight years have since elapsed, and the boy peddler, by hard work and a devotion to business that would have been creditable in a man, has risen step by step until he owns and conducts the largest wholesale and retail fish business in Bristol county, Massachusetts, the founder, Louis A. Drape, being the executive head and guiding spirit. He is a son of Alexander and Lydia Ann (Davis) Drape, his father born at Valley Falls, his



mother at Taunton, Massachusetts. Alexander Drape was a veteran of the Civil War, and for several years was an overseer at the Merchant Mills, Fall River. Both he and his wife are deceased.

Louis Alexander Drape was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, January 15, 1861, but in 1866 Fall River became the family home, and there he attended the public schools until about fourteen years of age. He then for a short time worked in the Troy Mill, but soon left and started in business as a fish dealer, peddling with a horse and cart all over the city. That was in 1875, and he has never abandoned the business he chose as a boy, that peddling cart having grown into a business that was incorporated, May 10, 1915, and requires the service of fifteen men to handle, the volume in 1922 having reached the amazing total of \$275,000. The officials of the company are: Louis A. Drape, president; his son, Louis Vernon Drape, treasurer; Edward P. Downs, director. The Louis A. Drape Company, Incorporated, are located at No. 377 Second street, in the rear of which their wholesale receiving station is located. The retail business is very large and receives the daily personal attention of its founder. In politics Mr. Drape is a Republican, in religious faith a Baptist, belonging to the First Church of Fall River. He is a member of Mount Hope Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and of Fall River Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. Drape married, at Fall River, Isabel Brown, born in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth (Tripp) Brown, her parents born in Westport, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Drape are the parents of three children: Louis Vernon, born at Fall River in February, 1894, now treasurer of the Louis A. Drape Company, Incorporated; Lillian Vernon, married Dr. Arthur G. Rand, of Fall River, a practicing dentist; Dorothy.

**GEORGE HENRY TRIPP**—In January, 1917, Mr. Tripp presented on behalf of the board of trustees of the Free Public Library of the city of New Bedford the sixty-fifth annual report of the board to the City Council. This report Mr. Tripp submitted as clerk of the board of trustees, but the leading feature of this was the report of George H. Tripp, librarian, to the trustees of the library. This report of the growth, activities and needs of the library shows that his position is not a sinecure, but one of responsibility that is receiving the closest attention, and the report breathes a spirit of loyalty and devotion as well as a masterful grasp upon the duties of the position he so ably fills. At the opening of the new library building, December 11, 1910, Mr. Tripp delivered a most thoughtful and valuable address.

He descends from the ancient Tripp family founded in Rhode Island by John Tripp, and in the town of Dartmouth by his son, Joseph Tripp. Lemuel Tripp, grandfather of George Henry Tripp, was a merchant, ship owner and sea captain, and in 1831 an incorporator of the Fairhaven Bank, which in 1864 became the Fairhaven National Bank.

Hiram Tripp, son of Lemuel Tripp, was a cooper by trade, a ship owner, and an important man in his day. He married Louisa Gifford, daughter of Bethuel and Susan (Clark) Gifford, she also a descendant of ancient and honorable families. Hiram and Louisa (Gifford) Tripp were the parents of George Henry Tripp, who as educator and principal in New Bedford public school, and as librarian of the Free Public Library, has been in the public service for the greater part of his mature years.

George Henry Tripp was born in Fairhaven, Massachusetts, in 1853. After public school and preparatory courses of study, he entered Dartmouth College, whence he was graduated, class of 1876. He chose pedagogy as his profession, and after five years' teaching in various high schools was elected, in 1881, principal of the Middle Street Grammar School, New Bedford. This school house was built in 1844-45, the first brick school house in the city, the upper floor being occupied by the high school. That building, costing \$10,000, was outgrown, but in new, enlarged and improved form is now an important item of the city's system of buildings devoted to free public education. Between 1845, when the school was founded, and 1881, when Mr. Tripp was elected, the school had been under the care of eleven principals, Benjamin Evans, the first principal, being recalled as its fourth. Mr. Tripp continued as principal for twenty years, 1881-1901.

From the free public school to the free public library was but a change from one line of educational work to another, and as earnestly as he labored in one he has labored in the other. In 1901 he succeeded Robert C. Ingraham, a librarian of the Free Public Library, Mr. Ingraham having been the first and only librarian since the foundation of the library until 1901, a period falling just short of the half century mark. Since that year (1901) Mr. Tripp has filled the post, the library in its entire life having had but these two librarians since the doors of the valuable institution first opened to the public on March 3, 1853; this (1924) being the seventy-second year of its existence. At the close of the historical address delivered by Mr. Tripp at the dedication of the new library building, an address largely quoted from in the historical volume of this work, he said:

In opening this building for the use of the city, everyone connected with the library feels with a deep sense of responsibility a wonderful quickening and a strong incentive for better work. The material is at hand; the surroundings are ample for many years; it has great resources for filling its shelves; it is for us who are in charge so to administer the trust that the greatest benefit shall reach the greatest number, and I feel that with a due sense of the seriousness of the words, I can thoroughly pledge the co-operation and willing labors of everyone connected with the library to further that purpose. To this end from time to time the library must expand the range of its activities so that the civilizing influence of such an institution shall be felt by everyone in the city.

These words show the spirit in which Mr. Tripp approaches his task and his ambition for the institution over which he has presided as librarian for sixteen years. This spirit in the leader has inspired the entire staff, and nowhere is a visitor extended greater courtesy and help in accomplishing

the object of his visit than in the Free Public Library of the city of New Bedford. The entire professional life of Mr. Tripp, beginning in 1876, until the present, 1924, has been given to the service of New Bedford, twenty-five years in the public schools, and twenty-three years in the public library. He is a member of various organizations, educational and professional; is a writer and speaker, pleasing, entertaining and forceful; member of the Wamsutta Club, Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, and politically an independent Republican.

Mr. Tripp married, April 15, 1885, Helen E. Covell, born in New Bedford in 1863, daughter of George A. (2) and Mary E. (Gibbs) Covell, of New Bedford. Mr. and Mrs. Tripp are the parents of a daughter and son; Grace Covell, educated at Dana Hall and the Garland School, married Elwin L. Vinal, living in Bend, Oregon; Dr. Curtis Carver Tripp, a graduate of Dartmouth College, class of 1918, now a surgeon of New Bedford, Massachusetts.

**RUSSELL WHEATON WHEELER**—The name of Wheeler has for many generations been one of broad significance to the people of Mansfield, Massachusetts, for in every generation this family has given to the world men of progressive spirit and broadly useful activities, and their leadership both in public affairs and in private effort has been of direct benefit to the community. Russell Wheaton Wheeler, the present head of the family, is one of the widely known citizens of Mansfield, and is owner and proprietor of a general store of which his father was the founder.

James Arthur Wheeler, father of Russell W. Wheeler, was born in Mansfield, Massachusetts, October 1, 1848, a son of Nathaniel Jackson and Elizabeth (Stearns) Wheeler, his father a house painter, and from 1885 until his death a merchant. James Arthur Wheeler received his early education in the public schools of Mansfield, then had the advantage of a course at a private school. Entering the business world in 1866, he was active as a house painter and interior decorator for twenty-four years, doing business from the first under his own name. Meanwhile, in 1885, Mr. Wheeler established the mercantile interest of which his son is now the head, dealing in paints, oils, crockery and various lines of merchandise, including also shoes and rubbers. He continued this activity for many years, following the same general line of merchandising until his death, which occurred August 24, 1918. Not only through his business activities, but as a citizen and public servant, James Arthur Wheeler was one of the leading men of the day in Mansfield during his career. He was for many years a stockholder in the Mansfield Co-Operative Bank, and held the important office of security committeeman and director. He enjoyed the highest esteem of his fellow-citizens, and every movement which counted for the public advance found a ready supporter in him. He supported the Republican party in political affairs, and in 1900 was elected town clerk and treasurer of Mansfield, an office which he filled with

the highest degree of efficiency until his death. He was also elected tax collector in 1904, and also filled this office until death claimed him. Few names have meant more to local affairs or to the people of the community, and Mr. Wheeler's death was regretted by everyone who had enjoyed the privilege of his acquaintance. Always genial in spirit, and keenly alive to every phase of social and public advance, he was a member of the Winthrop Club from 1912 until his passing, and for many years had been identified with the New Jerusalem church. He was for many years a member of the prudential committee of the Mansfield Fire Department, and in every branch of local interest bore a constructive part.

James Arthur Wheeler married, at Mansfield, Massachusetts, December 20, 1877, Georgiana Fisher, of Mansfield, who still survives him. Mrs. Wheeler is a daughter of Daniel and Mary (Johnson) Fisher, her father a millwright and basket maker by occupation, and a native of Mansfield; her mother a native of Easton, Massachusetts. James Arthur and Georgiana (Fisher) Wheeler were the parents of four children: Mary Arthur, born December 29, 1878; Russell W., of further mention; James Raymond, born July 30, 1882; and Helen Madeleine, born August 3, 1887; and one grandchild, James Arthur Wheeler, 2nd, born February 3, 1917.

Russell Wheaton Wheeler, second child and elder son of the above parents, was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, January 2, 1880. His education was begun in the local public schools and he was graduated from the Mansfield High School in the class of 1896. Immediately following the completion of his education, Mr. Wheeler associated himself with his father in business, and following the death of his father, Mr. Wheeler has carried the interest forward as the head, in association with his mother. This interest was established, as above noted, in 1885, and during his connection with it Mr. Wheeler has been a definite force for the progress and expansion of the interest. They now carry, in addition to a general line of paints, oils, crockery, etc., kitchen ware and novelties of various kinds, and their development of the department of shoes and rubbers has placed it among the largely important interests of the town. This is one of the oldest mercantile establishments in Mansfield, and has always served the people in such a manner as to contribute in a marked degree to the local prosperity and the economic security of the people. Mr. Wheeler is a member of the Mansfield Board of Trade, of which he is at this time (1923) president, but he has few interests which do not align more or less closely with his business activities.

A Republican by political affiliation, he has for a number of years served as a member of the town committee, but has otherwise never taken a leading part in public affairs thus far. During the World War, Mr. Wheeler served on various committees and advisory boards, devoting much of his time to the home activities of that trying period. He is a member of the Winthrop Club, which he serves on the board of directors, and a member of the Pa-



trons of Husbandry, his religious affiliation being with the New Jerusalem church.

Mr. Wheeler married, October 1, 1917, Mabel W. Leavitt, of Mansfield, daughter of Gilmore P. and Fannie (Skinner) Leavitt, both natives of the State of Massachusetts.

**HAROLD WINSLOW**—One of the most active and progressive citizens of Bristol county is Harold Winslow, recently appointed postmaster of New Bedford. As a newspaper man and public official he has consistently stood for progress during more than a score of years.

Rear Admiral George Frederick Winslow, M. C. U. S. N., father of Harold Winslow, served for forty years as an active officer of the United States Navy, being commissioned first in 1864 by President Abraham Lincoln, and serving in the Navy during the remainder of the Civil War and throughout the Spanish-American War. He is the only man in Bristol county who has reached the grade of rear admiral in the United States Navy.

Harold Winslow, son of Rear Admiral George Frederick Winslow and Virginia (Shearman) Winslow, was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, February 14, 1879. He received his early education in the private schools of his own home city. His later school training was received in the Friends' School, now known as the Moses Brown School, in Providence, Rhode Island, which he attended from 1891 to 1892. He then continued his studies in Allens School, at West Newton, Massachusetts, 1893-94, and St. Mark's School, at Southborough, Massachusetts, 1895-96-97, graduating from the last named institution in June 1897. The following fall he matriculated at Harvard University, where he continued his studies during the years 1897-98. In 1901 he became a member of the editorial staff of the New Bedford "Times," remaining with this newspaper in various editorial positions until 1917, in the spring of which year he enlisted for service in the World War.

He organized Battery D, 2nd Field Artillery, Massachusetts National Guard, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, and was commissioned a second lieutenant in this unit. The unit mobilized at Buxford, Massachusetts, in July, 1917, where it became Battery D, 102nd Field Artillery, of the 26th (Yankee) Division, and on September 21, 1917, it sailed for overseas duties, being the first National Guard division to arrive in France and the first to go to the fighting front. Upon arriving in France the division was trained at Coetquidan, France, until February 1, 1918, when it was sent to the front at Soissons, Chemin-des-Dames sector, where it remained during the months of February and March, 1918. In April and May, 1918, the division was on the Toul sector where the battles of Seicheprey and Zivran-Marvosin were fought, the former being the first battle fought by an American Division in France. In July, 1918, the division was first on the second line of defense at Picardy, and on July 6th it relieved the 2nd Division (Marines) at Cha-

teau-Thierry and took part in the first big American offensive on July 18, 1918, which drove the Germans from behind Chateau-Thierry to the Vesle river, a distance of thirty kilometers. The division, after this drive, was sent to a rest area for replacements in August, 1918, and while there Mr. Winslow was detached from the American Expeditionary Forces, promoted to first lieutenant, and sent back to the United States as an instructor in liaison work and French maps. He was assigned as instructor at the Field Artillery Firing Center, West Point, Kentucky, and remained in that capacity until discharged from the army, December 10, 1918. He was awarded a divisional citation for meritorious conduct displayed during the Chateau-Thierry offensive; and in 1919 was commissioned a captain of the Massachusetts Voluntary Militia. In 1920 he organized Battery D, 101st Field Artillery, Massachusetts National Guard, in New Bedford, and was commissioned captain and placed in command of this battery. Upon his return to civilian life, he became active in local public affairs. He had retained his connection with the New Bedford "Times" as a member of the board of directors from 1918 to 1919. In 1919 he was made Clerk of Committees and of the Common Council of New Bedford, and in that capacity he served from 1919 to 1923, being unanimously reelected annually by the New Bedford City Government. Meantime he had, previous to his enlistment, held other official positions. He was a member of the New Bedford Board of Health from 1910 to 1916; secretary of the New Bedford Republican City Committee from 1910 to 1917 inclusive; chairman of the New Bedford Republican City Committee from 1919 to 1921 inclusive; and in 1911 and 1912 he served as secretary of the Bristol County (Massachusetts) Republican Club. On September 1, 1923, he was appointed Acting Postmaster at New Bedford, and in December, 1923, he received his appointment as Postmaster, which position he now holds. Mr. Winslow is a member of Abraham H. Howland, Jr., Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of New Bedford; of Sippican Tribe, No. 77, Improved Order of Red Men; of Wamsutta Club; and of the Harvard Club of New Bedford. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church. At New Bedford, Massachusetts, June 29, 1910, Harold Winslow married Florence M. Oesting, daughter of Frederick William and Violetta (Cornell) Oesting. Mr. and Mrs. Winslow have no children.

**IRA C. GRAY**—The financial world of Bristol county, Massachusetts, numbers in its ranks many progressive and efficient executives, and in this group Ira C. Gray, of Mansfield, Massachusetts, is a noteworthy figure. Mr. Gray has been connected with financial advance for the past twenty-two years as cashier of the First National Bank, of Mansfield. He is a son of Ira C. and Ellen M. (Atwood) Gray, his father a native of Mendon, Massachusetts, and his mother of Boston. His father was a merchant by occupation, a man of un-

impeachable integrity and broad public spirit. Both parents died in 1889.

Ira C. Gray was born at Reading, Massachusetts, October 18, 1873. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following the high school course he made special preparation for a career by a comprehensive business course. Mr. Gray's first experience was in the employ of the Corey Leather Company, of Boston, where he was active for ten years. He then associated himself with the Puritan Trust Company, of Boston, where he remained until the year 1921. At that time Mr. Gray came to Mansfield to accept the position of cashier of the First National Bank, which he has filled continuously since. He is also a director in this institution, and served as town auditor for eight years. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Gray married, June 10, 1910, Alice E. Crabtree, of Hancock, Maine, daughter of Alfred and Alice Crabtree, her father a retired merchant of Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Gray are the parents of two children: Alice, born June 7, 1911; and Ira C., Jr., born August 31, 1913.

**JOSEPH KERKHOFF**—Among the executives of the jewelry industry of Attleboro, Massachusetts, Joseph Kerkhoff has won large success in his chosen line of endeavor, and as a member of the firm of F. L. Torrey & Company is one of the largely successful men of the day in this city. Mr. Kerkhoff has been active in the jewelry industry since he was nineteen years of age, and his success is built upon the solid foundation of practical experience. He is a man of broad interests, and gives to all worthy endeavors his aid and influence. He is a son of Thomas Fletcher Kerkhoff, who was born in England, and was active as a manufacturer of chandeliers until his death, which occurred in 1913. The mother, Ellen (Hands) Kerkhoff, was also born in England, and died at an early age in 1874.

Joseph Kerkhoff was born in Birmingham, England, May 10, 1868. His education was received in the public schools of his native city. At an early age he graduated from the London Art School and the Midland Institute. Coming to the United States alone, at the age of nineteen years, he located in the city of Providence, Rhode Island, where he entered the employ of the Ladd Watch-Case Company. In this connection he learned the trade of engraver and remained for three years. He then went to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where he followed this trade until 1894. Coming to Attleboro, Massachusetts, in that year, he settled here permanently and was employed with various concerns until 1906, when he became a member of the firm of F. L. Torrey & Company, manufacturing jewelers, in which he has continued until the present time. This concern was established in that year and was first located on County street in the Wilmarth building. In 1906 the rapid development of the enterprise made it necessary to secure space

for expansion, and the company removed to its present location on Railroad street, at No. 2 Robinson building, where it occupies an entire floor of about 4,000 square feet of space. Specializing in the manufacture of men's belt buckles in sterling silver and other metals, this concern holds leading rank in this field, in which it also is a pioneer. It sells only to the wholesale trade, but its product goes to all parts of the United States. Mr. Kerkhoff is further interested in the business world of Attleboro as a director of the Attleboro Co-Operative Bank, and director and manager of the Robinson buildings.

Mr. Kerkhoff supports the Republican party in political affairs, is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade, of Providence, Rhode Island, also various other organizations of a business nature. During the World War, Mr. Kerkhoff was one of the "four minute" speakers, also a member of the War Chest Committee, and was identified with Liberty Loan drives and Red Cross work. Fraternally, he is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past grand and district deputy; and the G. M. Horton Encampment. He is a communicant of the Episcopal church.

Mr. Kerkhoff married, in 1893, Etta L. Reed, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. They are the parents of four children: Two sons, Leon Chester and Joseph Francis, who died at an early age; Edith, a graduate of Tufts Medical School, now a practicing physician in Attleboro, Massachusetts; Bessie Ellen, a graduate of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, at Boston, Massachusetts.

**REV. CHARLES WILFRED CULLEN**—In the religious advance of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, Rev. Charles Wilfred Cullen holds a leading place, and in his devoted care of the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Family he is contributing in a large degree to the upbuilding and progress of the city and its people. He has for nearly twenty-four years been rector of this church, and he has seen children whom he has baptized grow to useful manhood and womanhood and take their stand in the march of progress with courage for the battle of life and with faith in God.

Father Cullen is a native of Canada, and a son of Charles Cullen, who was born in England, and came to New Brunswick as a young man, later residing in the Province of Quebec. Charles Cullen's business activities on this side of the Atlantic began in mercantile lines in Dalhousie, New Brunswick, in the forties, and from that time forward, for nearly forty years, he conducted stores both there and in Carleton, Province of Quebec. At the great age of ninety years he took a trip to England, and died shortly after his return to this country. Charles Cullen married Esther Meagher La Billois, youngest daughter of Dr. Charles M. La Billois, one of the founders of the Tracadie Hospital for



Incurables in the Province of New Brunswick, Canada.

Charles Wilfred Cullen was born in Carleton, Province of Quebec, Canada, July 9, 1864. His education was begun in the Carleton Grammar School, and later attending the Seminary of Rimouski, in the Province of Quebec, he there covered a course in theology and philosophy, and was ordained to the holy priesthood by the Archbishop of Leontopolis, January 29, 1888. Father Cullen's first appointment was as assistant in Westerly, Rhode Island, then, after a few years of service there, he was appointed to New Bedford, Massachusetts, also in the capacity of assistant. In September, 1900, he was made first rector of the Church of the Holy Family of Taunton, Massachusetts, a newly established parish, and a long period of service has given him a lofty position in the esteem of the people generally, while in his own congregation he is regarded as indeed a father of his flock. Not only in his pulpit utterances, but in his daily teaching and admonition of the people, Father Cullen upholds the principles and ideals for which the church has always stood. A spiritual teacher and leader, Father Cullen takes a deep interest also in the material welfare of his people and he is looked up to among them with the sincerest reverence and affection. In the many organizations of the church, both for young and old, Father Cullen feels the deepest solicitude for the progress of their members, and his teachings and leadership are eminently inspiring. Among his contemporaries in other religious organizations he is universally respected, and his championship of every worthy cause counts in a marked degree for the local welfare. The beautiful buildings and grounds of the Holy Family Parish, all the buildings erected by him, have been greatly improved under Father Cullen's oversight and this is considered one of the finest church properties in Bristol county, Massachusetts.

The great task, when he first took possession of the newly-formed parish, was to find a proper site for buildings; he had an eye on the Fairbanks' estate, but there was lots of opposition, and finally, through Ira Bosworth, a non-Catholic, and George A. King, also a non-Catholic, he got the desirable site, in the very center of the parish, one of the finest in the eastern part of the city. The rectory was first built, the old chapel-church on Liberty street being used for services, and finally, in 1908, the so-called beautiful church edifice on Middleboro avenue was erected, the architect being Charles M. McGennis, of Washington fame, and the contractor, the late Charles B. Maguire. Red brick, with gray brick trimmings, give the church a tone all its own. The interior, decorated by Arnold Lock, of Brooklyn, is unique in its kind, simple but inspiring. The entire property is out of debt, and we understand plans are ripe for a large hall to be built in near future, for parish purposes, facing the magnificent school built by the city, at a cost of over \$200,000, the best in the city, after the Taunton High School.

**WILLIAM HENRY BLY**—As a successful business man and an able and conscientious public official, William Henry Bly is well known in New Bedford and Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Mr. Bly is of old Colonial ancestry. His great-great-grandfather, John Bly, of Middleboro, Massachusetts, was born November 12, 1759. He served several enlistments during the Revolutionary War; was corporal in Captain Abiel Pearce's second company, April 19, 1775; private in Captain Amos Washburn's company, December 8, 1776; private in Captain Edward S. Sparrow's company, Colonel Nathan Tyler's regiment, from July 11, 1779, for a period of five months and twenty-two days. His great-grandfather, Isaac Bly, served on the "Essex" under Captain Porter in the War of 1812. He enlisted at Valparaiso, Chile, where he had landed from a "whaler" from New Bedford, on March 23, 1813. After cruising in the Pacific for more than a year the "Essex" was captured by the British, and Captain Porter and his officers and men who survived were returned to New York. His grandfather, William Bly, was born in New Bedford on October 10, 1818, and was one of the "forty-niners" who went to California in the rush for gold. He died in Sacramento, California, from fever, soon after his arrival.

William Henry Bly, son of Edward Everett and Henrietta Davis (Washburn) Bly, was born in Oil City, Pennsylvania, on August 3, 1877, his father and mother having come out from New Bedford in 1867 on the discovery of oil. At the age of five, his parents returned to New Bedford, and in the public schools of that city he received a careful, practical education. Graduating from the high school in 1896, he associated himself with the firm of John A. Wood & Company, wholesale dealers in provisions and produce. He maintained that connection, serving as salesman and collector for fifteen years. In 1911 he decided to make a change, and engaged in the insurance and real estate business, associating himself with George A. York & Company, of New Bedford. He was successful in that field of activity and became well known as a keen appraiser of real estate values. In 1912 he removed to Fairhaven. In 1917 he was elected to the Board of Assessors of Fairhaven, and was re-elected in 1920. In 1921 he was elected town clerk and treasurer of Fairhaven, which position he now holds.

Mr. Bly is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of George H. Taber Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fairhaven, which body he served as Worshipful Master, his term expiring in 1925; of Fairhaven Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Lodge of Perfection, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rites; of Samuel C. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem; St. Andrew's Chapter, Rose Croix; Massachusetts Consistory; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and Past Patron of Gifford Chapter, No. 105, Order of the Eastern Star. He is treasurer of the Fairhaven Masonic Club, a member of the Brooks Club, of New Bedford, and of the Leighton Club, of Fairhaven.

Mr. Bly is a communicant of Grace Episcopal Church, of New Bedford, and was a member of the choir for a period of twenty-one years. He has taken an active interest in the Church of the Good Shepherd,

an Episcopal Mission in the northern part of Fairhaven, is now serving as superintendent of the Sunday school, and is licensed as a lay reader in the church.

William Henry Bly was married, on October 25, 1906, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, to Ida Maleen Hale, a daughter of Dr. George C. and Martha (Hargraves) Hale, and they have one daughter, Eleanor Hale Bly, who was born May 25, 1909.

**CHARLES MASON HOLMES**, organizer, treasurer and agent of the Holmes Manufacturing Company, is one of the men who contributed to that era of New Bedford's industry in which New Bedford won first place among the cotton manufacturing cities of the United States. Mr. Holmes's achievement was unusual in several particulars. The manufacture of cloths and yarns was a well established industry at the time he built his mills, but there had been no local development of the mercerizing and dyeing of the yarns produced, these processes having been left to outside plants. Mr. Holmes undertook to add these processes to that of the manufacture of fine combed yarns, and within a short time secured an identity through the trade-marking of his goods which gave the Holmes product a reputation and enviable name throughout the country.

The Holmes Mill made handsome earnings from the start, which was an unusual thing at this period, because, while the building of the mill was started when the cotton industry was on the top of the wave, a depression intervened in the interval between the commencement and completion of the mill, and many of the new enterprises which were inspired by the earlier prosperity which led to the multiplication of new enterprises, were put to their shifts to finance them over the lean years which followed. It is therefore a personal tribute to Mr. Holmes's perception and sagacity, exceptional training and experience, and business ability, that he produced a special type of yarns which appealed to buyers in a market surfeited with conventional product. So it happened that whereas some other of the new mill enterprises were compelled to run at a loss until business revived, the Holmes Mill earned dividends throughout these unpropitious times.

Mr. Holmes came of a race of cotton manufacturers, and his experience was wide and thorough. His career brings credit to New Bedford, inasmuch as most of his earlier training was in the mills of New Bedford. Mr. Holmes was born in Providence, March 23, 1864, the son of Denison Baldwin and Catherine Elizabeth (Whitman) Holmes. His great-grandfather, Olney Angel, of Centerdale, Rhode Island, built and operated the old Graystone mill, which was the second cotton mill in the United States. His maternal grandfather, William Whitman, of Centerdale, was also a cotton manufacturer. His uncle, Gilbert P. Whitman, built the Armory mills of Manchester New Hampshire; and another uncle, John Kilburn, of Lowell, was also identified with the manufacture of cotton.

Denison B. Holmes, father of Charles M. Holmes, was the only child of Daniel B. Holmes, a soldier in the War of 1812, whose source of livelihood was farming. He was born in North Stonington, Connecticut, June 9, 1815, and died at Manchester, New Hampshire,

March 14, 1889. He was an engineer, steam and mechanical, and at one time superintendent of the mechanical department of the Old Colony railroad, with headquarters at Fall River. He was connected with the Corliss Steam Engine Company, of Providence, and employed by other large companies as consulting engineer. He retired from business six years before his death. He married Catherine Elizabeth Whitman, daughter of William Whitman, of Centerdale, a cotton manufacturer. She was born at Centerdale, July 15, 1826, and died at Lowell, March 28, 1902. Denison B. Holmes was a member of the Congregational church, and was a Republican in politics. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Denison B. Holmes were Charles Mason, subject of this review; and Annie Whitman, born March 8, 1869, who married Elmer D. Robinson, of Cambridge, Massachusetts.

After leaving the high school at Rockport, Massachusetts, where he attended the public schools, Charles M. Holmes began a textile career at the Potomaska Mills in New Bedford, where he remained three and one-half years. Then he went to the Lawrence Manufacturing Company of Lowell, of which his uncle, John Kilburn, was agent, and spent three years in the machine shop, eighteen months in the draughting room, and a year as assistant overseer in the carding room. From Lowell he went to Manchester, New Hampshire, where he was assistant overseer in the carding room of the Jefferson Mill, a part of the great plant of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company. He remained three and one-half years in Manchester, when he went to Clinton, Massachusetts, as overseer of the carding room of the Lancaster Mill, holding that position for three years. Then Mr. Holmes returned to New Bedford to take a position as overseer of carding in Mills Nos. 1, 2 and 3 of the Wamsutta plant. After two years in this position he was appointed superintendent of the Wamsutta Mills, a position he held for eighteen months. From the Wamsutta Mills, Mr. Holmes went to the Manchaug Mills at Manchaug, Massachusetts, as superintendent, then to the Natick Mills at Natick, Rhode Island, in a similar position, both mills being owned and controlled by B. B. and R. Knight. Mr. Holmes was in the employ of the Knights for four and one-half years.

And then, in 1903, at the age of thirty-nine, after this long and successful experience on the manufacturing side, Mr. Holmes commenced his career as a manager of great enterprises. He came to New Bedford as agent of the first Manomet Mill, having the responsibility for the building and equipping of that plant. A second mill was added, and Mr. Holmes acted as agent for both until May, 1909. Mr. Holmes in the latter year organized the Holmes Manufacturing Company, with a capital of \$1,200,000. The mill was built on Clark's Point, on the river front, for the manufacture of fine combed yarns, gassed, mercerized, bleached and dyed. The mill employs twelve hundred hands. Mr. Holmes is agent and treasurer of the mill, and it has paid handsome dividends from the beginning, paying in 1916 the highest dividend rate of any cotton manufacturing corporation in New Bedford, with one exception. Mr. Holmes' success with this enterprise was so striking that when the Gosnold Mills passed into the hands of Boston capitalists in 1916, Mr. Holmes



was asked to become treasurer and agent of that company, capitalized at \$1,650,000 and operating two mills engaged in manufacturing fine cotton goods, plain and fancies, jacquards, silk and cotton mixtures.

As the guiding genius of these enterprises, Mr. Holmes might seem to be well occupied, but he has found opportunity to take active part in various public-spirited activities, such as the reorganization of the Board of Commerce, and many of the fund-raising movements for promoting the comfort and welfare of the young men in the army. Mr. Holmes is a director of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company of Springfield, the Manufacturers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of Providence, director of the First National Bank of New Bedford, trustee of the New Bedford Institution for Savings, director of the Morris Plan Bank, trustee and member of the executive committee of the New Bedford Textile School, trustee of Friends' Academy, trustee of the Free Public Library, director of the Board of Commerce, member of Washington Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Manchester, New Hampshire; the Royal Arch Masons, of Phoenix, Rhode Island; Sutton Commandery, Knights Templar, of New Bedford; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Boston. His clubs are the Wamsutta and Country Club, of New Bedford; the Country Club of Rockport, Massachusetts; the Textile Club and the Southern New England Club. He is a member of the National Manufacturers' Association, and a vestryman of the Grace Episcopal Church of New Bedford. Mr. Holmes is a Republican in politics.

Mr. Holmes married, June 30, 1891, Alice Parker, daughter of the late Frederick and Augusta (Tripp) Parker. They have three sons: 1. Harold Denison, born December 12, 1893; two years in New Bedford High School, graduate of Phillips-Exeter Academy, Harvard University, Bachelor of Arts, class of 1916; assistant superintendent of the Holmes Mill; now second lieutenant United States Regulars, Bureau of Ordnance, stationed in Washington, D. C. 2. Charles Parker, born January 16, 1899; graduate of Friends' Academy, New Bedford, and Phillips-Exeter Academy; now a student at Harvard University, class of 1918. 3. Standish Whitman, born April 11, 1906, now attending Friends' Academy.

**EDWARD REVERE HATHAWAY**—Hathaway is a name which for nearly three centuries has been well known in the town of Dartmouth, a section now covered by the towns of Dartmouth, Westport, New Bedford and Fairhaven. The name was brought to Dartmouth by Arthur Hathaway, who was a man of importance in the town, the ancestor of a numerous family, of which Edward Revere Hathaway, ex-mayor of New Bedford, is a twentieth-century representative. Arthur Hathaway, who married, in 1652, Sarah Cook, daughter of John and Sarah (Warren) Cook, and granddaughter of Richard Warren, of the "Mayflower," had three sons, John, Thomas and Jonathan, all of whom owned farms along the Acushnet river, John's being at what is now Belleville Wharf. These sons founded families, were interested in shipping, and

many of the name have owned and commanded ships engaged in whaling and coasting. Many of the name have, like their early ancestors, taken active part in public affairs, and held various city, town and county offices. Through inter-marriage the Hathaways are connected with many of the old families of Dartmouth, Edward R. Hathaway's grandmother being a Slocum, his mother a Lindsay. He is a grandson of John B. Hathaway, a one-time sheriff of Bristol county, who was born, lived and died in New Bedford. He married Hannah Slocum, and had sons: Franklyn L., of further mention; Albert, now retired, formerly superintendent of the Wamsutta Mill, Suffolk of Lowell, Massachusetts, connected with the Lowell Textile School and with the Whittenton Mill in Taunton.

Franklyn L. Hathaway is now a keeper at the Bristol County House of Correction. He married Ella G. Lindsay, daughter of Revere G. and Eliza Lindsay, of Maine, later of New Bedford, and had sons: Edward Revere, of further mention; Franklyn L. (2), overseer in the Manomet Mill; and Henry L., a tobacco merchant.

Edward Revere Hathaway, son of Franklyn L. and Ella G. (Lindsay) Hathaway, was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, January 29, 1874, and was educated in the grade and high schools of his native city. He began his business career with the shoe manufacturing corporation, Hathaway, Soule & Harrington, Inc., a business founded by Savoy C. Hathaway in 1865. For eight years, 1894-1902, he was associated with that company, then in 1902 he began a connection with the retail clothing business which yet continues, he being head of the Hathaway Clothing Company, on Purchase street. He is a man of strong character, clear-headed and broad-minded, a successful merchant, an upright, public spirited citizen, a true friend and a good neighbor.

A Republican in politics and always interested in public affairs, Mr. Hathaway has been prominently in the public eye for several years. He is one of the two men who in twenty-two campaigns have successfully opposed Charles S. Ashley for mayor of New Bedford, Walter Clifford winning over Mr. Ashley in 1888-89. Mr. Hathaway, his opponent, in 1913-14-15-16, losing in 1913, his vote of 4,506, Ashley's 5,822. In 1914 he won the verdict of the polls, 5,632, against Ashley's 5,488. In 1915 Mr. Hathaway again was the victor, 6,701 against 6,253, but in 1916 Mr. Ashley came back with 7,825 against 5,742. Mayor Hathaway gave the city good administrations and left the chair high in the regard of his fellowmen. He was an active member of the school committee for three years, and for five terms, 1909 to 1913, represented a New Bedford district in the Massachusetts Legislature. His years of public service have been years of honorable effort to serve his constituency well, and in all things he has proved an efficient, upright official. He is fond of sports of the open, particularly yachting and fishing. He is an active member of the New Bedford Board of Trade, belongs to the Mer-

chants, New Bedford Yacht, Wamsutta, The Mayor's of Massachusetts, and Dartmouth clubs. He is a member of New Bedford Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Sippican Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men; New Bedford Lodge, Loyal Order of Moose; and New Bedford Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles. In religious faith he is an Episcopalian, belonging to Grace Church.

Mr. Hathaway married, in New Bedford, March 16, 1897, Luella Kingsley, born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, daughter of Nelson Kingsley, a Civil War veteran, contractor and builder. Mr. and Mrs. Hathaway are the parents of a son, Edward Wilcox, born in New Bedford, August 12, 1903, now a student in high school.

**ALFRED GARFIELD GREANY**, a prominent business man of Bristol county as senior member of the well known contracting firm of Greany & Sherry, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, on February 26, 1887, a son of Thomas and Mary A. Greany, respected residents of that place. For many years the senior Mr. Greany was engaged in Fall River and its environs as a general contractor, and under the influences and in the atmosphere of building operations was the young Alfred Garfield Greany reared.

Alfred Garfield Greany's early education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace, following which he entered the Fall River High School, where he remained for three years, leaving to take a course in the business school. Upon the completion of his education in 1912, he immediately engaged in the general contracting business, following this line of endeavor until the year 1917, when the World War claimed his interest and attention. He enlisted on September 5, 1917, in Company C, 302nd Infantry, 76th Division, and with this division went overseas and became an integral part of the American Expeditionary Forces. Mr. Greany was appointed an instructor of the Third Corps School, at Clamecy, France, and in this capacity served for a period of eight months. He remained in military service until August 7, 1919, when he was honorably discharged. Mr. Greany at once returned to Fall River, and resumed his neglected profession. During the year 1920 he formed a partnership with a Mr. Sherry, which association has been successful from its very beginning. Today the general contracting firm of Greany & Sherry is one of the firmly established and popular concerns of its kind in Bristol county. Headquarters of the firm are located at No. 57 North Main street, Fall River, Massachusetts. Externally he is an interested and active member of Lodge No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious affiliation is with the Catholic church.

Alfred Garfield Greany was married, on May 26, 1921, at Fall River, Massachusetts, to Mary E. Walkden, a daughter of Pensacola and Rebecca Walkden. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Greany are active members of Fall River society.

**RUFUS ALBERTSON SOULE**, the son of Thomas Howard and Margaret Albertson (Dunham) Soule was born in Mattapoisett, Massachusetts, March 16, 1839, and died in New Bedford, Massachusetts, January 9, 1913. He was a direct descendant of George Soule, a "Mayflower" passenger and signer of the Immortal Compact. On his mother's side he was a descendant of John Dunham, the founder of the Dunham family in America.

His father, Thomas H. Soule, was long identified with the business and civic life of New Bedford. Although born in Enfield, Massachusetts, his home was in Duxbury, where he learned the trade of ship-building. He came to New Bedford in 1841, and in 1856 founded the firm of Edwards & Soule, shipbuilders, continuing actively in this business until his retirement in 1872. Mr. Soule took a deep interest in public affairs. He was a member of the Republican party from its formation. He was one of the first Republicans to be elected to the Legislature from New Bedford, serving in 1857-58, and supported Charles Sumner for United States Senator. He was a member of the Common Council of New Bedford, and took an active part in the establishment of the Free Public Library. He was also active in and long identified with the Old Fire Department. He died in 1900, at the age of ninety, a man beloved and respected by all who knew him.

Of his five children, four were sons. These four sons enlisted and took their part in the Civil War. The eldest, William T., was a member of the First and Fourth Regiments, Massachusetts Volunteer Cavalry; Rufus A. enlisted in Company E, Third Regiment Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry; Henry W. served with the famous Third Battery, Massachusetts Light Artillery, and was killed in the second day's fight at Gettysburg; Thomas H., Jr., served in the navy, and was with Admiral Farragut at Mobile Bay.

Rufus A. Soule was born in Mattapoisett. When he was a small child his parents moved to New Bedford. He received his education in the public schools of New Bedford and lived all his life in that city. In the spring of 1858 he became a clerk in the employ of the Union Boot and Shoe Company. This was his introduction to a business with which he was destined to become intimately connected in later years with another New Bedford man, Savory C. Hathaway. They enlisted and served in the same company, and their friendship begun in the army continued during their lives.

The large and prosperous business of Hathaway, Soule & Harrington, Inc., was begun by Savory C. Hathaway in July, 1865. Very soon Mr. Soule became silent partner, and the name of the firm was changed to S. C. Hathaway & Co. Two years later, Mr. Soule gave up his clerkship and became an active partner in the firm of Hathaway & Soule. Later, Herbert Harrington, of Boston, was admitted to the firm and the firm became Hathaway, Soule & Harrington. Still later, a stock company was







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organized under the title of Hathaway, Soule & Harrington, Inc. In 1905 Mr. Soule retired from the shoe business. This business grew and prospered for forty years. From its small beginning, the company became one of the largest concerns in the trade, selling direct to the retail dealers.

In 1905 Mr. Soule was appointed collector of the Port of New Bedford. From that time until his death, Mr. Soule devoted his time to the duties of the collector's office and to his many corporate interests. He was the first president of the Dartmouth, Soule and Neild Mills, and president of the City Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of cotton goods. He was vice-president of the New Bedford Safe Deposit and Trust Company, president of the Acushnet Cooperative Bank, and director of the New Bedford Cooperative Bank. He also served his city's business interests as president of the Board of Trade. In the business world of his city his judgment was deferred to, and he was rated one of the leaders among men of affairs.

Mr. Soule always took an active interest in public affairs. He was a member of the New Bedford Common Council for several years. In 1874 he was unanimously chosen president of that body. For a number of years he was a member of the City Republican Committee. In 1878-79 he served as a member of the Lower House of the Massachusetts Legislature. He was returned to the House of Representatives by the largest plurality ever given by the Legislature up to that time. For eight years, from 1896 to 1904 inclusive, he served his State as State Senator. For two years he was president of the Senate. He was a man of zeal, judgment and ability, his record as a legislator being one of faithful, efficient service. Alert and clear-minded, enthusiastic, with an earnest desire to be of genuine service to his State, he was an ideal Senator. He gained the reputation in the Senate of being a tireless worker, while his energy, persistency and initiative made him a valuable worker in committee and routine work. His success in politics was well earned, his remarkable personal magnetism winning him his first legislative victory, while his honesty, fearlessness and ability won the continued support of his district and the respect of his party opponents.

Mr. Soule was a member of the Wamsutta Club, New Bedford, and of the Massachusetts Chapter of the Society of Mayflower Descendants. In the Masonic order, he held the degrees of Star of the East Lodge, Adoniram Chapter, and Sutton Commandery, his membership in these bodies being of long standing. Mr. Soule was a devoted Grand Army man. Of all the organizations with which he was connected he loved best the Grand Army of the Republic. He served his own Post, the R. A. Pierce Post, of New Bedford, twice as commander, in 1893 and 1906. He was commander of the Bristol County Association of the Grand Army of the Republic, and served several terms on the staff of the commander-in-chief of the National Grand Army of the Republic.

To whatever cause needed his assistance, Mr. Soule gave his intelligent and loyal service, and his influence and example in temperate and upright living have been an inspiration to those who have been blessed with his acquaintance. His interest in children and all young people, especially the boys who came so frequently to him for advice and assistance, endeared him to a host of friends, who cherish and honor his memory. Mr. Soule possessed the best traits of the good old New England gentleman. His aims were high and he attained them. Loyal to town, to State and country, and all the worthy interests within his reach, he lived a grand and beautiful life, and his name will be cherished always by all who had the honor of his friendship. In the death of Mr. Soule the Commonwealth lost one of its most useful and valued citizens. His long and honorable career left the memory of incorruptible integrity, which is the best heritage a man can leave.

On August 28, 1860, Mr. Soule married Susan C. Nesmith, of Bucksport, Maine. They were the parents of three children: Margaret H. (Mrs. Garry de N. Hough); Lois M. (Mrs. Alexander T. Smith); and Rufus A. Soule, Jr.

**EDGAR BERRY WHITEHEAD**, owner and manager of the modern, well-equipped fish, meat, and poultry business known as Whitehead's Market, is one of the well known business men of Fall River, Massachusetts, where the Whitehead family has been active for three generations.

John B. Whitehead, grandfather of Mr. Whitehead, was born in England, December 12, 1802, son of John and Martha (Berry) Whitehead. He acquired a comprehensive knowledge of the textile industry in his native country. He came to this country previous to 1855 and located in Fall River. Later he removed to Taunton for a time, but soon returned to Fall River, where he was employed in the American Print Works as a block printer, and where he died, March 11, 1870, aged sixty-seven years. He married, in England, Sally Drinkwater, who was born November 20, 1804, and died in Fall River, in the eightieth year of her age. They were the parents of twelve children: Robert; John, Edward, died young; Edward; William; Philip; Mary; Richard; George; Sophia; James; and Edmund, of further mention.

Edmund Whitehead, son of John B. and Sally (Drinkwater) Whitehead, was born in Clayton, near Manchester, England, July 4, 1845, and as a young boy accompanied his parents to this country, coming on the clipper ship, "A. W. Townsend." After attending the public schools of Fall River, Massachusetts, he began his active career at the early age of twelve years by securing employment with the American Printing Company. Later, he entered the provision and meat market of his brother Edward, with whom he remained until July, 1869, when he opened a meat and provision market of his own at No. 102 South Main street. In June, 1892, he removed the business to Nos. 18-20 South

Main street, just north of City Hall, where he continued actively in business to the time of his death, which occurred April 29, 1914.

Although a notably successful business man, Mr. Whitehead was a progressive and enterprising citizen. He was an active member of the Chamber of Commerce of Fall River, and of the Retail Merchants' Association at the time of its organization. Politically he gave his support to the Republican party. He was a member of Post No. 46, Grand Army of the Republic, having served as a member of Fifth Company (unattached), Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, under Captain D. H. Dyer, during the Civil War. That company was mustered into the service of the United States on August 2, 1864, as a result of a telegram sent by Governor Andrews to Captain Dyer, asking him if he could organize a company to take the place of heavy artillery that had been doing garrison duty, but had been ordered south about the time of the battle of the Wilderness. Within twenty-four hours after the receipt of the telegram the company was formed, and Mr. Whitehead, though then but nineteen years of age, was one of its members. The company left almost immediately for Boston, and was mustered into the service at Readville, Massachusetts. Fraternally, Mr. Whitehead was prominent in the Masonic order, having attained a high degree in the Scottish Rite bodies of that organization. He was a charter member of Narragansett Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; a member of Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; a member of Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; a member of Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; a member of Fall River Lodge of Perfection; of Samuel C. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem, of Fall River; and of Azab Grotto, of Fall River.

On March 26, 1868, Mr. Whitehead married Sylvia L. Borden, who was born July 3, 1846, daughter of Stephen and Sarah P. (Brayton) Borden, of Fall River, and a descendant of several of Fall River's earliest settled families. Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead were the parents of six children: Andrew E.; Edith S.; Sylvia Louisa; Jennie L.; Edgar B., of further mention; and Elsie M.

Edgar Berry Whitehead, son of Edmund and Sylvia L. (Borden) Whitehead, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, October 16, 1876. After attending the public schools of his native city, including the N. B. Borden Grammar School, and the B. M. C. Durfee High School, he took a post-graduate course at the Durfee High School, and then entered Bryant & Stratton's Commercial School, at Providence, Rhode Island, from which he was graduated in 1897. He then became associated with his father's well established meat market, and until 1914 was associated with his father in its management. Upon the death of his father in that year he became proprietor of the concern, and since that time has devoted his full energy to the advancement of its interests. In October, 1920, he was forced to vacate from Nos. 18-20 South Main, the

property being acquired by the Union Savings Bank, and eventually located, in January, 1920, at No. 30 Second street, where he now has a modern, well-equipped plant. The Whitehead Market, always known as one of the best in the city, is now also one of the largest and best housed in the city. It carries a full line of fish, meat, and poultry, and requires the services of some twenty clerks to handle the steadily increasing patronage. Mr. Whitehead is an active member of the Merchants' Association, and of the Chamber of Commerce, both of Fall River. He is a Mason of high standing, having attained the thirty-second degree in that organization, holding membership in Narragansett Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, which he served as worshipful master; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; Fall River Lodge of Perfection; Samuel C. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem; and St. Andrew Chapter of Rose Croix; all of Fall River; and of the Massachusetts Consistory (thirty-second degree), of Boston. He is also a member of Azab Grotto, of Fall River, and of Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is also a member of the Quequechan Club; a member and a director of the Merchants' Association; a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Kiwanis Club, and of the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious affiliation is with the Union Church of South Swansea. He resides in South Swansea, and his favorite recreation and pastime is one which brings him both pleasure and healthful activity. He is deeply interested in horticulture, and at his home in Swansea has his own greenhouses, where many rare plants are grown, and where, when he feels so inclined, Mr. Whitehead himself engages in the cultivation of his beautiful plants.

Mr. Whitehead, by his first wife, had two children: Laura M.; and Doris E., who married James H. Gildard, Jr., and they have one child, Claire E. He married for his second wife, Viola A. Elliott, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**CHESTER SEAVER GODFREY**—As the treasurer of the Etna company, manufacturers of twist drills, Mr. Godfrey is very widely known in his field, for the company maintains selling agencies in almost a dozen countries outside of the United States.

Chester Seaver Godfrey was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, on October 1, 1876, son of Everett Dean and Hulda Ide (Perrin) Godfrey. His father, who died on May 13, 1915, was for twenty-five years associated with the Taunton Locomotive Manufacturing Company. In 1887 he served the city of Taunton as its mayor, the highest honor that can be conferred upon an esteemed citizen. The son was educated in the public schools of Taunton and at Worcester Academy, and after leaving school spent five years in the West Indies fruit trade. He then went with the Morse Twist Drill and Machine Company, of New Bedford, remaining with them until he was elected treasurer of the



Etna Company. The Etna Company, of Taunton, is one of the oldest firms in the city manufacturing twist drills. The Williams & Godfrey Company, which was formed in 1881, was the first concern to make twist drills in Taunton. Later, in 1897, the Lincoln & Wood Company was established, but was succeeded by the Etna Company, which was incorporated in 1904. The present treasurer of the Etna Company, Chester Seaver Godfrey, who controls the concern, is the son of one of the partners of the original twist drill firm in Taunton. Important positions were held in this first company by William F. Congdon, now president of the Etna Company and superintendent of the company, his assistants, Charles A. Richardson and Herbert C. Wood. The product of this firm is favorably known over a wide territory, for in addition to established trade in this country, the company has its selling agencies in Great Britain, Denmark, Belgium, Spain, Cuba, Brazil, Argentina, Australia, and New Zealand. During the World War the Etna Company devoted fully 90 per cent. of its production for war purposes, being associated not only with the United States Government, but dealing directly also with the British and French commissions. In all of its activities, Mr. Godfrey is the controlling spirit, and he gave his patriotic service in this efficient manner. He is a member of the Old Colony Historical Society and of the Winthrop Club; his religious affiliation is as a member of the Winthrop Street Baptist Church.

Chester S. Godfrey married, at Taunton, Massachusetts, on October 16, 1918, Pearl Belle Grant, daughter of Willard Webster and Mercy Ann (Parsons) Grant, her father having died on May 16, 1901. Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey have no children.

**PATRICK BANNON**—For a period of sixty-three years Patrick Bannon was closely identified with the Textile industry as an expert in one of its many and diverse phases. His influence during this time, on the industry of which he had become an integral and necessary part, was inestimable in its far-reaching effects, and his death in 1913 was in the nature of a distinct loss; but not an irreparable one, for Mr. Bannon had acted wisely and well in transmitting his great knowledge and experience to his two sons, John F. and William H. Bannon, who today are carrying on the work so firmly established by their father.

Patrick Bannon was born at Cranston, Rhode Island, in 1841, a son of John and Katherine Bannon, and a grandson of Peter and Ann (Getrick) Bannon, his grandparents having founded the branch of the Bannon family in America when they came to the United States from County Roscommon, Ireland. The young Patrick Bannon received his education in the public schools of his birthplace, and while yet a child, in 1850, started out on his business career. He entered the employ of the Sayles Bleachery, in the capacity of a laborer in the bleach-house, and for eighteen years applied himself to the business with such energy and innate ability that at the end of that time he was appointed as foreman of the starching department. His knowledge of the industry and his efficiency grew steadily as his years of service lengthened, and when he had completed fifty-five years of continuous employment with the Sayles Bleachery he was widely recognized as an expert par-

excellence in his special line of endeavor. In 1909 he severed his managerial connection with the above concern in order to accept an executive position with the Mansfield Bleachery, at Mansfield, Massachusetts, of which corporation he was shortly chosen to serve as president, which office he held until his death. He was frequently consulted in matters pertaining to the art of bleaching, for of this branch of the textile industry no man of his generation had a greater or more complete knowledge.

Politically, Mr. Bannon gave his support and co-operation to the Democratic party, and during his residence at Central Falls, Rhode Island, he served two successive terms as alderman of that city, first in 1898, and was reelected to succeed himself in 1899. His religious affiliation was with the Holy Trinity Church, of Central Falls, of which he was for many years a communicant, a sincere worker, and a generous supporter of the parish.

Patrick Bannon was married, on October 23, 1873, to Lena Burke, a daughter of Michael and Bridget Burke, of County Tipperary, Ireland, and of this union there were six children, four of whom survive him, as follows: 1. John F., born July 22, 1875, educated at La Salle Academy and Brown University, entered the employ of the Mansfield Bleachery and succeeded to the presidency of that concern upon the death of his father. 2. William H., a sketch of whom follows. 3. Margaret, born July 21, 1882, married Eugene R. Farrell, son of Charles and Rose (Cadden) Farrell. 4. Leo M., born April 15, 1884, was graduated from Brown University, his brothers' *alma mater*, in 1907, and became mechanical engineer of Ware Shoals, South Carolina.

The death of Patrick Bannon occurred during his seventy-second year, on January 14, 1913, and was due to "la grippe," contracted during the Christmas holidays. His long life, viewed in perspective, proves incontrovertibly that success can be achieved by the constant application of those three prime business requisites: ability, industry and integrity.

**WILLIAM H. BANNON**—As the treasurer and general manager of the Mansfield Bleachery, of Foxboro, Massachusetts, Mr. Bannon is well known in the community. He came to the establishment of this industry with a thorough knowledge of all the details connected with such a concern, gained through years of apprenticeship and managerial and executive experience. His location of the works near the Mansfield line was a happy inspiration, and the success of the plant is due to his keen business forethought and foresight as well as to his good judgment and industry.

William H. Bannon was born at Central Falls, Rhode Island, on April 8, 1880, son of Patrick and Lena (Burke) Bannon (see preceding sketch); his mother, a native of Ireland, died in 1922; his father, a manufacturer in the textile line, was connected with the Sayles Bleachery for fifty-two years; he was a native of Providence, Rhode Island, and died in 1913. The son received his early education in the public schools of Central Falls, followed by attendance at La Salle Academy, of Providence, Rhode Island, and subsequently took a special course in chemistry at Brown University, with the idea of entering the textile line of industry. On the completion of his studies he be-

came associated with the Sayles Bleachery, with which his father was also connected for so many years. In 1909 he established the Mansfield Bleachery, at Foxboro, Massachusetts, near the Mansfield line, and has since been treasurer and general manager of the company. Mr. Bannon has always been interested in the welfare of his workers, and his interest in civic matters has been along lines of progress and development. He is a director of the Attleboro Trust Company; vice-president and director of the Southern Bleachery, located at Greenville, South Carolina, of which he is also one of the founders; director of "The Tavern," at Mansfield. He is, too, a trustee of the Foxboro Hospital, is a Republican in his politics, and during the World War served as a member of a number of boards and committees, for which services he received a certificate from the United States Government. In his fraternal affiliation he is a member of the Knights of Columbus; and of Lodge No. 1011, of North Attleboro, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and he is a member of the Winthrop Club, of Mansfield; Arkwright Club, of New York; Franklin Country Club; Sharon Golf Club; and in his religious connection belongs to St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

William H. Bannon married, in 1905, Mary J. McCarthy, of Providence, Rhode Island, daughter of the former mayor of Providence, Patrick J. M. McCarthy.

**EDWARD COFFIN JONES**—Although the greater part of the life of Edward C. Jones was spent in New Bedford, Massachusetts, the scene of his unusual business success, he was not a native son, his birthplace that famed island in the Atlantic, thirty miles from the Massachusetts mainland—Nantucket, ancestry on the maternal side being traced to Tristram Coffin, whose life-story is closely interwoven with the earlier history of Nantucket. His business career belongs to that golden era of New Bedford's history when her wharves were crowded with whaling ships and whale products, when the counting houses of her whaling merchants were scenes of busiest activity, and an aristocracy of oil ruled the city.

Edward C. Jones was one of the greatest of these merchants, the statement being made that at one time he was one of the wealthiest men in Massachusetts. He began as a clerk; but his ability, energy and industry brought promotion, then a partnership, then sole ownership of a wonderful business in outfitting whalers, and afterwards ownership of many vessels which carried the Edward C. Jones' house flag. There was little of fortuitous circumstance to which his success could be traced, but intelligently directed industry and perseverance gave him his opportunity, and sound business judgment guided his every enterprise. In selecting officers to sail his ships and govern their crews he used his keenest judgment, and he always kept his vessels in the best repair. His crews were well fed and well used, consequently were always one hundred per cent. efficient. He took a deep interest in the families of his captains and mates, and when any news arrived of one of his ships he would drive to their homes and give to the families interested all the information he had received. Honorable, upright and able, he won

success strictly on his merits, and among the merchants of his day stood preëminent.

His mother, Sally (Coffin) Jones, was a Quakeress, but in marrying Captain Reuben Jones she transgressed a strict tenet of her faith and for "Marrying out of the Meeting" was dismissed. This harsh decree was later softened, and her son allowed his birthright membership in the society. Mr. Jones was a strong believer in heredity, insisting upon knowing all about the mother of any man who applied to him for a position, without seeming particularly concerned about their fathers. He was strong in his belief that a man's dominant traits were derived from his mother. He was a man of culture and refined tastes, his love for the best in English literature being especially marked. He could recite at will from Byron, Scott and other authors, often entertaining his friends in that way to his and their deep enjoyment. His was a well rounded character, and in New Bedford his name stood for all that was best. He was diligent in business, but not slavishly or selfishly so, and the charities of New Bedford greatly benefited by his generosity, his daughter yet continuing her interest in some of the philanthropies which he aided.

Edward Coffin Jones, only son of Captain Reuben and Sally (Coffin) Jones, was born at Nantucket, Massachusetts, October 23, 1805, and died in New Bedford, Massachusetts, March 16, 1880. His father was a captain in the merchant service, sailing between American and French ports, his voyages sometimes extending to the German and North Baltic ports and to St. Petersburg. This trade was of necessity suspended during the War of 1812, and for a time Captain Jones was out of employment. The sudden change from an active seafaring life brought on a prolonged and a fatal illness, and he died when his son Edward C. was only thirteen years of age. The death of the father left the family without means of support or property, except the house they lived in. Edward C. Jones' early education, however, was the best available, his mother, a woman of unusual character and qualifications, supporting the family and keeping her son in school for the four years following her husband's death. Edward C. Jones attended first a small private school and later the Friends' Academy, in New Bedford, winning a reputation for quickness of mind, aptitude for study, a love for books, especially works of poetry and travel; was an apt student in French, and devoted to outdoor sports, skating, swimming, hockey and riding. During his vacations he assisted his mother in the support of the family, at one time working as a book-binder, and at another time as general utility boy in a shoe store. A great source of pleasure to him in those early years was a gift of two shares in the Social Library, and there he was able to procure "Cook's Voyages," the discoveries of Dampier and others of a similar nature, all of which inspired him with the hope of going to sea himself. When nineteen he was offered a position in the office of Fish & Grinnell, in New York, at three hundred dollars a year, with excellent prospects of advancement, but he decided that his home town held quite as much promise of a successful career, and the offer was declined. Soon afterward he entered the employ of Captain Elisha Dunbar, a ship chandler,



where he proved himself so valuable that in 1827 he became a partner in the business, the firm becoming Elisha Dunbar & Company. In addition to the ship chandlery business, the partners began importing bar iron from Sweden and Russia, and as they prospered invested their surplus funds in the whaling industry, buying one ship after another and fitting it out for whaling cruises. In 1839 Captain Dunbar died and Mr. Jones became sole owner by purchase of the Dunbar interest from the heirs. After coming into full control he reorganized the business under the firm name Edward C. Jones, with storerooms at the foot of Spring street, but his own private offices were on Centre street, in the building which, after his death, was sold to Bartlett Brothers.

The increase of business compelled Mr. Jones to surrender part of his burden, and whaling being so profitable then, he withdrew from the ship chandlery line and devoted all his energy to the fleet of whalers he owned, adding to that fleet from two to five ships yearly. For nearly half a century he was connected with whaling, retiring in 1873, he at one time (1850) being agent, part or sole owner, in sixteen ships or barks, as follows: "Robert Edward," from 1830 until 1867; "Iris," from 1831 until 1851; "Roman," 1835 until 1871; "Mobile," 1842 until 1851; "Rhine," 1845, one voyage; "Clarice," 1846 until 1871; "Junius," 1849 until 1853; "Eliza Adams," 1850 until 1863; "Europa," 1852 until 1864; "Oriole," 1863 until 1870; "Gazelle," 1867 until 1873; "Emma C. Jones," 1849 until 1871; "Governor Troup," 1843 until 1868; "Milo," 1849 until 1864; "Lapwing," 1856 until 1864; "Florida," 1841 until 1865; "Congress," 1842 until 1851. The last six named were the most successful and profitable of all.

During the Civil War a Confederate privateer attacked a fleet of whalers in the Arctic, burned all but one, sending the crews home in the one unharmed vessel, which it so happened belonged to Mr. Jones. The losses inflicted by the Confederate raiders and the great mortality among the vessels of the Arctic fleet from the rigor of the severe winters gave the whaling ship owners such a serious setback that when the discovery of petroleum resulted in a great curtailment of their market for oil they were practically forced out of business. With characteristic energy and wisdom, Mr. Jones disposed of his ship property and turned his capital to the other fields of investment in which, during the years, he had become interested. He was a director of the First National Bank of New Bedford, formerly the Marine Bank; a director of the New Bedford Gas Light Company from its organization, and had other interests.

Although the whaling industry in which Mr. Jones was for so long a prominent figure represented in its day one of the most profitable as well as picturesque phases of the development of American trade, his successful career was not the result of luck or was it due to the prosperity of the industry in which he was engaged. The fitting out of a merchant fleet demanded both unusual skill and executive ability, both marked characteristics of Mr. Jones, coupled with rare good judgment which he exercised in selecting captains and crews. With thoroughness and attention to detail, he spared no pains in putting ships into perfect condition and in equipping them with adequate supplies, while

liberal treatment of the men sailing them attracted to his employ the best and most efficient, thus enabling him to contribute largely to American preëminence in the industry.

He was possessed of a remarkable memory, and was able to memorize a poem simply by reading it once, and his love of poetry and good literature continued throughout his life. Possessed of a keen sense of humor, he appreciated Dickens thoroughly and read his books with much pleasure. On account of his lameness, he could not participate as a soldier during the War of the Rebellion, but he was active in the recruiting service; and one company, raised mainly through his help, adopted the name of Jones Guards. On account of his strong anti-slavery sympathies, he became an ardent Republican, and so continued throughout the remainder of his life. He was easily moved by the appeal of the human voice, whether from the lecture platform, the pulpit or the stage, and he was exceedingly fond of the drama and of vocal music. He was a liberal supporter of city charities and philanthropies, especially interested in the Association for the Relief of Aged Women.

Mr. Jones married (first), in 1835, Louisa Gibbs, who died in 1839. He married (second), in 1844, Emma Chambers, who died in 1852, the mother of four daughters: Sarah Coffin, died aged seven years; Emma Chambers, of New York; Amelia Hickling, of New Bedford; and Sarah Coffin, died in 1891, wife of J. Malcolm Forbes, of Milton, Massachusetts. Mr. Jones married (third), in July, 1872, Mary Coffin Luce, daughter of Captain Matthew Luce, of New Bedford, who survived him until 1917.

**THOMAS BUSH TRIPP**—The entire life of Thomas Bush Tripp was spent in his native New Bedford, and no man better served his city than he. His business enterprise and public spirit were employed in behalf of his own community, and he was recognized as one of the strong men of the city. While he was president of the First National Bank at the time of his death, he had only filled that high position for about one year, although a director for more than twenty years. He completed an honorable business record in other lines and no stain of failure marred his record. He was a son of James and Eliza (Mosher) Tripp.

Thomas Bush Tripp was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, August 19, 1838, and died December 29, 1912. He was educated in the New Bedford public schools, completing the advanced courses of the high school in 1858. He was engaged in the grocery business in New Bedford until 1872, his store located in the block at the corner of County and Allen streets. After the death of his father he turned his attention to real estate, discerning with rare vision the rapid growth of the city which was to soon follow. He was a good judge of the value of real estate, and with unerring judgment selected large tracts of unimproved land which he purchased and improved with graded streets and sewers before offering a lot for sale. This policy he followed in all his additions, and so well were his locations chosen and so skillfully was his busi-

ness conducted, that prosperity followed all his investments and likewise his investors. He dealt generously with the public, allowing ample time for those of limited means to secure homes, hundreds becoming home builders and owners for the first time in their lives. This meant not only prosperity for Mr. Tripp and the home builders, but for the city, whose aggregate value of taxable property was greatly increased.

In addition to the management of his real estate business, Mr. Tripp was a director of the New Bedford and Fairhaven Street Railway Company, elected in July, 1873, the road having been incorporated the previous year. He held the position until 1887, then resigned, but upon the organization of the Union Street Railway Company, he accepted a directorship, October 30, 1897, and became vice-president of the company, July 14, 1898, serving until his death. He was also a director of the New Bedford and Onset Street Railway Company; became a director of the Dartmouth & Westport Railway Company in October, 1901, and vice-president, January 9, 1902, serving until his death. His devoted and efficient services to these concerns was the subject of fine tribute after his death. He was also a director of the Howland Mills Corporation, Dartmouth Mills Corporation, a director of the First National Bank in 1890, and on December 21, 1911, was elected president, holding this until his death. He was also a trustee of the New Bedford Institution for Savings, and relied upon by the board as their expert in all real estate investments.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Tripp took a deep interest in public affairs, and in his younger years was an ardent worker for the party. He was a member of Common Council in 1864, representative to the State Legislature in 1872, and a member of the Board of Aldermen in 1873. In 1891 he was appointed a member of the Board of Public Works, a post he ably filled for several years, also holding a place upon the New Bedford water board, to which he devoted much time during the building of the Quittacus water supply for New Bedford. He was, at the time of his death, a trustee of the Kempton fund, the gift of Sarah E. Potter to the city. A thorough business man, Mr. Tripp was highly capable of filling these various offices or positions, and to his ability he added a strong principle that caused him to regard "a public office as a public trust." This resulted in the city and various organizations securing the highest form of service and won for him the highest commendation. He was a past master of Eureka Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and highly regarded by his brethren of the order. In early life he was a member of the City Guards, and until his death he was a member of the Wamsutta Club, and was at one time its president. He was also a member of the Country Club of New Bedford. He was a man of regular life and methodical habits, careful in all things and devoted to his home.

Mr. Tripp married in 1888, Emma J. Ashley, daughter of Rodolphos and Ruth (Parker) Ashley.

Mrs. Tripp survives her husband, with a daughter, Molly Bush Tripp, the family home No. 413 County street.

**ABRAHAM H. HOWLAND**—Although little more than in the prime of his splendid manhood when his final summons came, Abraham H. Howland had long been a conspicuous figure in the business life of New Bedford, his native city. He belonged to the whaling era of New Bedford's history, saw it all in its greatness, and witnessed its decline and fall. He was nearly all his life engaged in merchandising as clerk and proprietor, but, dealing with the whalers as their outfitters, finally became a ship owner, and made two voyages as master of the ships he owned. He was a keen, sagacious, business man, quick to act and most persevering. While he was essentially the merchant, there was no department of New Bedford's life in which he was not interested. As first chief executive of the city under the charter, his wisdom, public spirit and disinterested patriotism was a rock of strength to the young municipality, and his four successive reelections to the mayoralty shows beyond controversy the high value his fellow-citizens placed upon his patriotism, wisdom and executive ability. His life was a valuable one, and although a generation has since arisen to whom he is personally unknown he will always live as one of that body of men who were the responsible heads and controlling spirits during a period of prosperity in New Bedford, largely brought about by their own enterprise, energy and public spirit. The condition which created such men and the business they developed to such a high state of prosperity are now things of the past, but the years in which Abraham H. Howland flourished were wonderful years, and their close marked one of the great tragedies of history, the collapse of a great industry, and the destruction of a great fleet of vessels connected with the whaling industry and hailing from New Bedford as their home port.

The town of Dartmouth, the village, borough and city of New Bedford, Massachusetts, have been the home localities of the Howlands from the time Henry Howland bought a tract of land in Dartmouth in 1652. Henry Howland is of record in Plymouth as early as 1624, was constable of Duxbury in 1635, became a member of the Society of Friends in 1657, and both he and his wife, Mary (Newland) Howland, died at their Duxbury home. He was a good man, honorable, upright and intelligent, transmitting these qualities to his posterity. The line of descent to Abraham H. Howland is through Zoeth Howland, second son of Henry and Mary (Newland) Howland. Zoeth Howland was born in Duxbury, Massachusetts, but settled in the town of Dartmouth as early as 1662. He was killed by the Indians, January 21, 1676, at Pocasset, a part of Rhode Island, since known as Little Compton and Tiverton. The present stone bridge at Tiverton was known as Howland's Ferry, and was later operated by Daniel Howland, son of Zoeth. Zoeth Howland, like his father, was



a convert to the Society of Friends, and all his five sons were members of the Apponegansett Monthly Meeting except Samuel. He left a widow who married again.

Benjamin Howland, second son of Zoeth Howland, was born March 8, 1657, in Duxbury, Massachusetts, died at his farm at Round Hills, in the town of Dartmouth, February 12, 1727. He was a substantial farmer, a leading member and treasurer of the Apponegansett Monthly Meeting of Friends, was selectman, assessor, surveyor of highways, and constable, holding these offices at different times and for many years. The Round Hills farm, which he owned and cultivated, has never been owned by any other than a descendant of Benjamin Howland. He married Judith Sampson, and they were the parents of a large family.

Isaac Howland, son of Benjamin and Judith (Sampson) Howland, was born at the Round Hills farm in the town of Dartmouth, January 30, 1694, died at the farm he owned and cultivated in the southern part of the town, September 22, 1778. He was an active member of the Society of Friends, selectman, surveyor of highways, constable, and juryman. He married Hannah Allen, and they were the parents of eight sons and daughters.

Abraham Howland, son of Isaac and Hannah (Allen) Howland, was born in the town of Dartmouth, in 1726, and died at the Round Hills homestead farm. He married Ruth Hicks of Dartmouth, who died June 30, 1856, the mother of five sons and four daughters.

Captain Weston Howland, son of Abraham and Ruth (Hicks) Howland, was born in the town of Dartmouth, May 30, 1764, and died in New Bedford, Massachusetts, August 8, 1841. He was a master mariner, for some years engaged in the coastwise trade, then established a flour and grain business with storehouses on Rotch's Wharf. He was a large vessel owner and kept quite a fleet engaged in transporting the grain and flour he sold. He maintained a branch of his business at Alexandria, Virginia, which was in charge of his son Thomas, and had many interests, varied in character. He was a good business man, and as a citizen highly esteemed and honored. He married (first) Desire Crandall; (second) Abigail Hathaway, who survived him at the family home, at the corner of Spring and Eighth streets, New Bedford, and died July 12, 1867. His sons were active in New Bedford business circles, and one of his daughters, Alice R., married Joseph C. Delano.

Abraham H. Howland, son of Captain Weston Howland and his second wife, Abigail (Hathaway) Howland, was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, March 2, 1802, and there died May 24, 1867. After leaving school he entered business life as a clerk and passed through a long and arduous course of training to fit him for the position he was to occupy. He mastered merchandising, then went to sea and became a master mariner, making two extended whaling voyages. After becoming a merchant he also became a ship owner, and at his

place of business now the site of the plant of the City Manufacturing Corporation, conducted a large and prosperous business, and accumulated a generous competence. As the whaling industry declined he sought other avenues of wealth, and was one of the first men in this country to refine petroleum as a business. He continued active in business until the end of his years, sixty-five. Mr. Howland was at one time a director of the Western railway, later a part of the Boston and Albany system, and from the date of organization was a director of the New Bedford Gas Light Company. Although a birthright member of the Society of Friends, he only openly joined in the service of the society a few years prior to his death. He was a member of the Masonic order, and for many years an active member of the City Volunteer Fire Department, and on one occasion it was entirely through his influence that the department was saved from disbandment. In 1844 he was elected to represent New Bedford in the Massachusetts Legislature, and served three years through reelections. In the house he served on the committee on mercantile affairs, and was one of the active, influential men of that period. In 1847, under the new charter, he was elected the first mayor of New Bedford, then a city of 12,000 inhabitants, and so well did he administer the responsibilities of that office that his four reelections followed. So in usefulness and honor his years, sixty-five, passed, there being no flaw upon his public or business record.

Mr. Howland married Mehitable Earle Russell, who died August 26, 1892, at the age of eighty-two. She was a daughter of Reuben and Anna (Tucker) Russell. Mr. and Mrs. Howland were the parents of seven children: Abigail, died in infancy; Anna, died in young womanhood; Abraham H. (2); Alice Russell, died August 2, 1916; Horace G., died February 2, 1909; Mary Tucker; and Edmond Howland, died in infancy.

**ROBERT LINDSAY**—Through a long course of technical study and experimental laboratory work, Mr. Lindsay has come to his present position, superintendent of the gas department of the New Bedford Gas and Edison Light Company. Chemistry, ever a favorite study, has been caused to yield to him important secrets, but they were diligently and intelligently sought for and came as the result of painstaking labor and study. He is an authority on the chemist's view of gas manufacture and distribution, a branch of scientific study and practical business that he has been connected with from his nineteenth year, when he first entered the employ of his present company as their chemist.

Robert Lindsay was born in Glasgow, Scotland, November 22, 1871, son of William Archibald Lindsay, an engineer, and his wife, Mary (Hynd) Lindsay, the Lindsays an ancient Scottish clan of high standing. Robert Lindsay attended Glasgow public schools, the College of Science and Arts and Technical School before coming to this country, and in New Bedford attended both the Swain Free School of Design and the Textile School, taking the mechanical engineering course at the latter institution and graduating from

both. In August, 1890, he entered the employ of the New Bedford Gas and Edison Light Company, as chemist; not that his studies were over, for they had but begun, and during the quarter of a century which has since elapsed his work has been one long series of problems submitted and many of them solved, and many still in the course of solution but the answer still afar off. His library of works pertaining to chemistry and chemical research is very large, and his spirit of investigation carries him deep into their contents. In 1910 he became superintendent of the gas department, an immense business in itself, when it is recalled that the company in New Bedford, Acushnet and Fairhaven has a total of 155 miles of main pipe; that in New Bedford alone there are 21,582 gas meters; that they supply gas to 21,255 gas stoves, and that for the financial year ending July 1, 1916, their sales of gas increased \$15,976.13.

Mr. Lindsay is a member of the National Commercial Gas Association, member of the American Gas Institute, member of the New England Association of Gas Engineers, member of the Order of Scottish Clans, the Caledonian Club, Abraham H. Howland Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. In addition to his weighty duties and responsibilities, he took the course of military training at Plattsburg, New York, and is qualified for service as an officer if called. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian.

Mr. Lindsay married, in New Bedford, December 23, 1889, Elnora Elizabeth Leuchsenring, her parents born in Germany. They are the parents of a son, Robert Bruce, born January 1, 1900, now a student at Brown University, class of 1920.

**HORACE ALLEN LAWTON**, scion of an ancient Rhode Island family, was brought when an infant to New Bedford, Massachusetts, and there his years, fifty-five, were passed. He selected a business career, and for twenty-three years conducted two drug stores in New Bedford, one at the corner of Union and Purchase streets, the other at the corner of Union and Second streets. He operated in connection with his brother, Charles H. Lawton, the firm of C. H. & H. A. Lawton, organized January 1, 1873, continuing until July 1, 1896, both brothers then retiring, after settling their affairs, and selling the business to the C. H. & H. A. Lawton Drug Company. While Horace A. Lawton was an excellent business man, well informed and possessed of strong literary taste, he took little part in city affairs, and found in his home his greatest happiness. This does not imply that he was not interested, for on the contrary he was keenly alive to his responsibilities as a citizen, and in his own quiet way bore his part. But he was essentially a business man, won his way from the bottom of the mercantile ladder, and in his business and in his home found the full measure of a contented, successful life.

Horace Allen Lawton was of the eighth generation of the family founded in Newport, Rhode Island, by George Lawton, who was one of the twenty-eight signers of the Compact, April 30, 1639, for the formation of a "Civil Body Politicke." George Lawton was prominent in Colonial affairs, serving six terms as deputy and nine terms as assistant to the governor. He owned land at Portsmouth, and there died October 5,

1693, his body being laid at rest in his own orchard. He married Elizabeth Hazard. The line of descent is through the founder's third son, Robert Lawton; his son, Captain George Lawton; his son, Robert Lawton; his son, William Lawton; his son, Peter Lawton; his son, Peter (2) Lawton; his son, Horace A. Lawton.

Bristol, Portsmouth or Newport, Rhode Island, continued to be the homes of the preceding until Peter (2) Lawton, born May 20, 1811, a cabinetmaker, moved to Seekonk, Massachusetts, thence to New Bedford, in 1843, and there died at his home, now No. 198 Kempton street, July 24, 1869. At one time he was a manufacturer of pianos. Peter (2) Lawton married, in Bristol, Rhode Island, August 12, 1839, Nancy F. Simmons. They were the parents of two sons, Charles Henry and Horace Allen, both now deceased, founders of the business, now the C. H. & H. A. Lawton Drug Company.

Horace Allen Lawton was born in Bristol, Rhode Island, December 14, 1843, but shortly afterward New Bedford became the family home and there his life was spent. He attended the public schools of the city until seventeen years of age, then began his business life, which ended with his retirement in 1896, three years prior to his death, April 26, 1899. He began as a dry goods clerk, and while connected with that line of merchandising was employed by R. H. Whitcomb and E. B. Whiting. From the dry goods store he changed to drugs, and until January 1, 1873, was clerk in the drug store conducted by Thornton & Gerrish, his brother, Charles H., having been a clerk in the same store from his sixteenth year, entering it in 1856, he being the senior of Horace A. by three years. On January 1, 1873, the Lawton brothers, having left the employ of Thornton & Gerrish, began business as C. H. & H. A. Lawton, purchasing the two drug stores owned by E. Thornton, Jr., one at the corner of Union and Purchase streets, the other at the corner of Union and North Second streets. The brothers conducted these two stores for twenty-three years, retiring July 1, 1896. Those were years of honorable business success, and when the brothers retired a stock company, the C. H. & H. A. Lawton Drug Company, purchased both stores.

Horace Allen Lawton was a member of the New Bedford Protecting Society from 1867 until his death, attended Trinitarian Church, and held membership in the Wamsutta Club; Eureka Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Adoniram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; New Bedford Council, Royal and Select Masters; and Sutton Commandery, Knights Templar. In politics he was a Republican, but never sought nor accepted public office. At the time of his decease he was fifty-five years, four months and twelve days old, and his remains were interred in Rural Cemetery, New Bedford.

Mr. Lawton married, January 5, 1871, Clara P. Taber, daughter of Captain Jacob Taber.

**ROBERT WILLIAM POWERS**—Even in these days of automobile distribution as a finished art, the headquarters of Robert William Powers, of Fall River, Massachusetts, as a distributor for the Hudson and Essex cars, forms a model of efficient management. Mr. Powers is one of those progressive and alert busi-





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ness men who was formerly active in the carriage business, and with the early development of the automobile transferred his energy and attention to the new vehicle. He has carried his interest in Fall River to a very high position in the trade, and is widely known as one of the foremost executives in this field in Southeastern Massachusetts. Mr. Powers is a son of Maurice and Winifred (Colbert) Powers, who came to the United States from County Waterford, Ireland, in 1882, settling in Fall River. Here the father became active as an employee of the American Linen Company, subsequently going to the Durfee, Mills, in whose employ he served for about thirty years, during the greater part of that time as master mechanic. He was a man of the sincerest goodness of heart, loyal to his employers and cordially respected by all who knew him. He died in 1906, at the age of sixty-seven years, having survived, by five years, his wife, who died in 1901, at the age of fifty-one years.

Robert William Powers was born in County Waterford, Ireland, September 8, 1876. His education was very limited and was principally acquired in common with so many of America's most able men in the "school of hard knocks." He attended the public schools of Fall River until the age of thirteen years, when he apprenticed himself to the profession of telegraphy. After five years of experience in this line of endeavor, Mr. Powers entered the old established firm of Peckham and White, carriage dealers of Fall River, as an office employee. He was later made bookkeeper for this firm, and was with them through the period of evolution from carriage production to automobile distribution. Mr. Peckham, the senior member of the firm, died in 1908, and Mr. Powers bought the interest from his associates in the following year, since which time he has been sole owner of the business. Mr. Powers has built up one of the most important automobile interests in the eastern part of the State of Massachusetts, the scope of his operations in the distribution of Hudson and Essex cars covering Southeastern Massachusetts, the entire State of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and the eastern part of Connecticut. Since the Hudson Company built their first automobile Mr. Powers has done more than \$3,000,000 worth of business. His operations are always carried on in a courageous, broad gauged manner, and his attitude toward the world is that of the fearless spirit, confident in its sincerity of meeting like treatment from others. Mr. Powers found his activities outgrowing his former headquarters, and, with no suitable structure available, he erected one of the finest buildings in New England devoted to automobile sales, and this structure was finished in the year 1923. It has the distinction of being the only automobile building in the world with a ground level entrance to five floors without an elevator. The character of this building and its unique design are further evidences of the originality of the man and his ability in overcoming obstacles and solving problems.

Mr. Powers is grand eastern director of the National Automobile Dealers' Association, a director of the Rhode Island Automobile Association, a member of the Chambers of Commerce of Fall River, Providence and New Bedford, of the Merchants Association of Fall River, and the Better Business Bureau of Providence.

He is president of the Giant Storage Battery Company of Massachusetts, and a director of the Giant Storage Battery Company of Providence. He is a member of the Fall River Rotary Club, of the Quequechan Club of Fall River, and the Turks Head Club of Providence. By political affiliation he is a Republican, although never an office seeker, and his religious connection is with the Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Powers married, in 1902, Hannah C. Dunn, of Fall River, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Powers are the parents of five children, of whom three survive: Margaret Helene, now attending college of New Rochelle, New York; Robert W., Jr., a sophomore at B. M. C. Durfee High School; and Rita Winifred, now attending primary school.

**STEPHEN WILLIAM HAYES, M. D.**—The professional career of Dr. Hayes was only at its full zenith, although man's allotted term of life had run its course. Three score years and ten had passed into history since he first saw the light in far-away Ireland, but they had been years so well and so wisely spent that eminence among the eminent physicians of Massachusetts was his, and in physique he was still the erect, dignified gentleman whose acquaintance was an honor. He continued to practice even after this time, until his death, and while his interest in humanity came somewhat from the standpoint of the scientist, the great impulse to work, labor and strive was his broad humanitarianism, his love for his fellowmen prompting him to make every sacrifice and put forth every effort to alleviate suffering and restore health. This warmth of heart and general interest in his fellowmen had won him the love of a very large clientele, and the respect and esteem of all who knew him. He had rejoiced in solving those difficult problems which so often confront the physician, for their solution had meant life and health for others. Genial and kindly-hearted, with a thoroughly well-balanced mind, he had regarded medicine as both a science and a philanthropy, whose problems, however intricate they were, had been the pleasure and privilege of his vigorous, well-trained intellect to master. Possessed of every mental and physical requisite to make the successful practitioner, honorable and upright in every particular, and attentive to every detail of his work, he was an honor to the profession of which he had been an accredited member for close to half a century, from 1870.

Stephen William Hayes, New Bedford's medical nestor, was born in County Cork, Ireland, on July 24, 1848, son of William and Mary Hayes. When a child he was brought to the United States, and in the grade and high schools of New Bedford, Massachusetts, acquired a good English education. Medicine was his chosen profession, and with that as the goal he studied and read, entering Harvard Medical School in 1867, whence he was graduated with the coveted diploma and degree of M. D. in the class of 1870. From that time until his death his history is one of interest to the layman as a record of constant striving for "more light," devotion to the duties of an exacting profession, and of successful achievement. The love of his people and the honors of his profession came to him in abundance, and the name of Dr. S. W. Hayes was

one mentioned with respect wherever physicians were gathered. From 1877 to 1884, he was assistant surgeon of the First Regiment, Massachusetts National Guard, and surgeon of the Third Battalion, ranking as major. During the Spanish-American War he was acting post surgeon at Fort Rodman. He was president of the board of examining surgeons for pensions up to his closing years. He was long a member of the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital; was consulting physician of St. Luke's and St. Mary's hospitals, and had a large consulting practice both in the city and far beyond its limits, in addition to his private clientele. He was an ex-president of the South Bristol Medical Society, ex-vice-president of the American Medical Association, member of the Massachusetts Medical Society, and of the New Bedford Medical Society. In all he was listened to with marked respect, and papers from his able pen enriched the literature of his profession, most of them before appearing in the medical journals having been read and discussed in some of these societies.

In the business circles of his city, particularly in that section devoted to cotton manufacturing, Dr. Hayes was well known and influential. He was a director of the Bennett and Columbia Mills, president, treasurer and one of the receivers in liquidation in 1897 of those cotton spinning corporations; director of the Whitman Mills, cotton and silk manufacturers; director of the Fairhaven Mills (cotton); director of the Bristol Manufacturing Company (cotton); and vice-president and director of the Holmers Manufacturing Company. He was a Democrat in politics, having served New Bedford as member of the school board for nine years, and as alderman in 1882 and 1883. His club was the Harvard, of Boston, New Bedford branch; and in religious affiliation he was a member of St. Lawrence Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Hayes married (first) at Woonsocket, Rhode Island, September 16, 1882, Mary G. McCloskey, born in Woonsocket in January, 1861, died in New Bedford, November 1, 1883, leaving an only child, Mary Stephanie Hayes, born October 11, 1883, educated at Friends Academy, New Bedford, and the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Manhattanville, New York. She married, August 6, 1916, Dr. C. J. Leary, of New Bedford. Dr. Hayes married (second) June 6, 1917, Margaret A. Nolan, born in Newport, Rhode Island, October 20, 1898.

**THEODORE DEAN WILLIAMS** was a prominent and successful business man of New Bedford, Massachusetts. He was born July 5, 1829, in Raynham. He died in New Bedford, August 4, 1900, on the dawn of the new day. He was the son of Jonathan Williams, Jr., and his wife, Phebe (Elmes) Williams, of Raynham, Massachusetts. He came to New Bedford when he was a young man, and was a clerk in the store of Sylvanus Thomas, who was a relative by marriage. After a few months the firm of Dow & Company wanted Theodore D. Williams, and offered him a very fine position in their store. He asked Sylvanus Thomas what he should do about accepting it. Mr. Thomas answered and said: "I cannot pay you as much as Dow & Company have offered to you, but you are worthy of it, and, Theodore, I am not going to stand in your way of advancement." In the year

1849, Theodore D. Williams went to California, with others who had the gold fever, in a ship that sailed from New Bedford, to seek their fortunes. They came near being shipwrecked, and they all returned to New Bedford, with less gold in their belts than they carried away. Afterwards Theodore D. Williams entered into partnership with Amasa Bullard, under the firm name of Bullard & Williams. Later on, in the fifties, he entered into co-partnership with Andrew H. Potter and Simeon Doane, under the firm name of Potter, Doane & Williams, on Water street, No. 28, corner of Shepherds lane, where they purchased the building and carried on a very successful and lucrative business for several years. The firm owned extensively in whaling ships that brought in large returns. Some years afterwards Mr. Williams withdrew from the firm and re-established himself on Union street, in the clothing business, where he remained until Acushnet avenue was cut through to William street, and his store had to be torn down to make room for a new part of the street. Then he retired from an active business life. Mr. Williams was always courteous to everyone, generous and noble hearted, and a man of fine personal appearance. No one ever appealed to him for assistance in vain. He never shirked his obligations; to do his part was a pleasure to him, and he was strictly honest in all of his dealings with everyone. He married, January 2, 1849, Caroline Tuckerman, who was born in New Bedford, January 25, 1828, and died in New Bedford, December 24, 1893. She was the daughter of Captain Robert Tuckerman, who was born in New Bedford, July 14, 1795, and died in New Bedford, February 3, 1884, aged eighty-eight years, six months, twenty days, and his wife, Betsey (Buloid) Tuckerman, born in New Bedford in 1798, died August 14, 1875, aged seventy-six years, six months, fourteen days. Captain Robert Tuckerman was the son of Captain Stephen Tuckerman and his wife, Elizabeth Tuckerman, of Nantucket. Captain Stephen Tuckerman and his wife had children: 1. Sally, born April 5, 1792. 2 and 3. Niobold and Robert (twins), born July 14, 1795. 4. Vollintine, born March 31, 1798. 5. Stephen, born June 14, 1801. 6. Robert, married Betsey Buloid, March 2, 1818; their children were: Stephen, born February 5, 1819, died 1873; Maria, born January 28, 1825, died November 10, 1842; Caroline, married Theodore Dean Williams, of New Bedford; Robert and Charles (twins), born January 6, 1831; Charles died July 28, 1837; Robert died in Auburn, New York, December 14, 1900; he married Harriet Bowman, of New Bedford, September 21, 1865. She was born July 7, 1834, died in Auburn, New York, November 10, 1902. Their daughter, Alice H. Tuckerman, was born in Scipioville, Cayuga county, New York, November 14, 1868, and was married in Auburn, New York, October 12, 1899, to Jesse H. Stanton, of Auburn, New York. The children of Theodore Dean Williams and his wife, Caroline (Tuckerman) Williams were: 1. Maria Tuckerman, born October 19, 1849, died June 13, 1883, married Alfred M. S. Butler, of Boston, December 23, 1869, the son of Leonard and Sophronia Butler, of Hanover, Connecticut, afterwards of Hartford, Connecticut. The children of Alfred M. S. Butler and his wife, Maria T. (Williams) Butler were: Theodore, Minnie P., Maria Caroline, Sophronia Elizabeth, Alfred M. and



Katherine James Butler. The latter married Arthur Taylor; their son was Robert Taylor. Alfred M. Butler, A. M., married June 23, 1908, Irene (Endrés Von Dilseher) Butler, and their children were: Clara W. Butler, born June 26, 1909, and Elizabeth Caroline Butler, born February 23, 1916, of Boston, Massachusetts. Alfred Munson Butler, A. M., was head of Science Department, High School of Practical Arts, Boston, 1914. 2. Elizabeth, married, January 22, 1908, in Boston, Massachusetts, Charles Warren Read, the son of Joseph R. and Cynthia A. (Potter) Read, of New Bedford, Massachusetts. 3. Caroline, born May 30, 1855, died August 23, 1855. 4. Charles Dean, born August 17, 1860, died May 8, 1878, in New Bedford.

Jonathan Williams, Jr., father of Theodore D. Williams, was born December 16, 1785, in Raynham, Massachusetts. Married November 12, 1820, Phebe Elmes. He and his wife died in Raynham; their children were: Elijah, born June 25, 1823, who married Fidelia Leonard; Theodore Dean, who married Caroline Tuckerman; Sophia, who married Eliphalet Thomas, of Middleboro, September 26, 1838; Edward, who died at Sterling, Illinois. The father of Jonathan Williams, Jr., was Captain Jonathan Williams, born June 8, 1764, died January 23, 1814; married, October 14, 1784, Polly Dean, born 1766, died December 27, 1830; their children were: Jonathan, Jr., who married Phebe Elmes, November 12, 1820; Polly, Hannah, Sally, Eliab, Augustus Dean and Eli, who married Fannie Pickens, March 25, 1830. He was born April 12, 1796, died December 6, 1884, in Lakeville, Massachusetts. He was the brother of Jonathan Williams, Jr., who was the father of Theodore Dean Williams. Captain Jonathan Williams' father was Deacon Abiel Williams, Jr., born 1740, died February 10, 1830, aged ninety years; married, November 16, 1758, Zeruah Staples, born January 27, 1740, died February 1, 1814; she was the great-grandmother of Theodore Dean Williams, and the daughter of Deacon Seth Staples, of Taunton, Massachusetts, who married Hannah Standish, born 1704. She was the daughter of Ebenezer Standish, born 1672. He was the son of Alexander Standish, born in Duxbury, died 1702. He was the son of Captain Miles Standish, of Duxbury, of the "Mayflower" in 1620. He was born in 1586, died October 3, 1656, married Rose, who died 1621; Barbara, second wife. Deacon Abiel Williams' father was Abiel Williams, Sr. He was born 1713, died December 19, 1778, married Mehitable Williams. Abiel (1) Williams' father was Seth Williams, born in 1676, married Mary Dean. Seth Williams' father was Samuel Williams, married Jane Gilbert; Samuel Williams' father was Richard Williams, born 1606, in Huntingdon, England. He first came to Dorchester, Massachusetts, in 1633, afterwards to Taunton.

**WALTER HAMER LANGSHAW**—As the head and a large owner in a great manufacturing corporation, Mr. Langshaw reviews a life of well directed effort, constantly increasing in value to the corporation he serves. He has won his way through merit, each promotion from the bottom upward coming only after it had been well earned. His career in New Bedford began in 1891, in the Potomska Mills, in charge of a department, and nine

years later, in 1900, he became the dominating spirit in the Dartmouth Manufacturing Corporation, and president of the corporation. He takes a keen interest in public matters, particularly economics, and has made a very thorough study of the tariff question. His views on the latter question have been different from those of many of his contemporaries and have caused considerable discussion. In 1913 he issued a pamphlet stating his experience because of his attitude on the tariff, the protective feature of which has been perverted to suit the purpose of certain special interests. He also submitted a brief to the Committee on Ways and Means, 1913, on the cotton schedule. These two pamphlets, which taken together form an enlightening treatise on the salient points of the tariff situation, present in a forceful manner the conclusions of which Mr. Langshaw has arrived at as the result of years of special study of a wide experience as a manufacturer, with the practical workings of the tariff measure in effect during the past quarter of a century. Holding that protection is necessary for the development of industries in which skilled labor is required in quantity, that moderate tariff on any article is not a burden on the people provided it is manufactured in quantities proportionate to normal market requirements, and that its manufacturing is not of a kind that excludes men of limited capital, he believes that a moderate reduction in the tariff, intelligently applied, would be beneficial rather than detrimental to the industrial and commercial development of the country, and has for a number of years favored such a reduction.

Walter H. Langshaw was born at Eagley, near Bolton, England, in 1859, his paternal and maternal ancestors for many years residents of Lancashire, the records of the family extending back to the year 1570. Cotton manufacturing was a family business, a Langshaw founding the Eagley Mills in 1790. At the age of seven years Walter H. Langshaw was brought to the United States by his parents, there locating in Lawrence, Massachusetts, moving to Manchester, New Hampshire, in 1872, but returning to Lawrence in 1874. In all these changes the lad had a part, and from his ninth year was employed in cotton mills. He continued a mill worker in Lawrence from his return in 1874 until 1887, then went to a Rhode Island cotton mill in charge of a small department. Four years later, in 1891, he came to New Bedford to take charge of a large department of the Potomska Mills. During the ensuing four years he gained such high reputation that at the incorporation of the Dartmouth Mills, in 1895, he was engaged as superintendent. In 1898 he was elected a director, and in 1900 became the head of the corporation. The three mills of the company are located in the South End, the capitalization is \$2,600,000; twenty-two hundred hands are employed; two hundred thousand spindles and fifty-eight hundred looms turning out an enormous quantity of plain and fancy cotton goods. Over all Mr. Langshaw is the executive agent, and

controlling spirit. The success of the corporation is a matter of comment in the textile world. From 1896 to 1917 the return to the original shareholder selling out at the market value shows an average return for twenty years of forty-five per cent., this result being accomplished in open competition in the same field for machinery and labor. This thoroughly establishes Mr. Langshaw as one of the practical mill executives who, from personal knowledge and experience, direct their corporations wisely. He was also for some years president of the Bristol Manufacturing Corporation of New Bedford, a million dollar cotton manufacturing company, operating sixty-three thousand spindles, and eighteen hundred and sixty-six looms, employing eight hundred and twenty hands in manufacturing cotton and silk goods. He has other business interests of importance widely separated. He is president of W. H. Langshaw & Company, of No. 346 Broadway, New York City; a director of the Massachusetts Trust Company of Boston; and director of the Liberty Insurance Company of Boston.

Mr. Langshaw has not sought the sordid in life, but has catered to the finer side of his nature, particularly his talent and love for music. When little more than a boy, he was organist of St. John's Episcopal Church of Lawrence, and in the different cities to which his business took him he often acted in that capacity. He is a patron of art, and one of the trustees of the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Massachusetts. He is a member of the Massachusetts Alliance of Manufacturers and Employers Associations, National Association of Manufacturers, National Economic League, North American Civic League, Massachusetts Forestry Association, American Economic Association, and the Royal Colonial Institute. His clubs show the wide range of his tastes, and the recreations which most appeal to him are: Beverly Yacht, of Marion, Massachusetts; Boston Athletic; Country, of Brookline, of New Bedford and Rhode Island; Megantic Fish and Game, of Maine; New Bedford Rod and Reel; Tin Whistle of Pinchurst, North Carolina; also other clubs; the Algonquin, of Boston; Arkwright of Boston; Brooks; Episcopalian of Boston; Merchants, of New York; Rocky Mountain, of New York; Royal Colonial Institute; Seapuit, of Cape Cod; Southern New England Textile; Victorian of Boston; and the Wamsutta, of New Bedford, Massachusetts. He is also a member of St. George's Society, and of Grecian Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Mr. Langshaw married (first) August 23, 1884, Sarah Elizabeth Mahan, of Andover, Massachusetts, who died in 1896, leaving sons: Walter Seymour, assistant agent and director of the Dartmouth Manufacturing Corporation; and Albert Colburn, of W. H. Langshaw & Company, No. 346 Broadway, New York City. Mr. Langshaw married (second) June 23, 1898, Elizabeth Wilkinson, of New Bedford, they the parents of a daughter, Eunice, and a son, Richard.

**PELEG C. HOWLAND**—From the organization of the Merchants' Bank of New Bedford, Massachusetts, down through the years of its existence as a State and National bank to the year 1885, but two men filled the position of cashier. The first of these was James B. Congdon, a man of great ability, who began with the organization of the bank in 1825, resigning January 1, 1858, his mantle falling upon Peleg C. Howland, who held the office until his death, October 26, 1885. Upon the records of the Merchants' National Bank are pages devoted to these two men who bore an even closer relationship than that of business contemporaries, the inscription of Peleg C. Howland reading:

Resolved, The directors of the Merchants' National Bank of New Bedford desire to give expression to their sense of the loss which they and the corporation which they represent have sustained by the death of Peleg C. Howland, whose connection with the Merchants' National Bank, beginning August 13, 1846, continued under a Federal charter until his death on the 26th of October, 1885, a period of thirty-nine years of continuous service; and while it is more fitting that the character of our late cashier in his home and as a citizen should receive proper recognition elsewhere of his qualities as a man of affairs and of business, we may speak; and so speaking we would commemorate his unvarying courtesy of manner, his integrity, his comprehensive grasp of the largest transactions, as well as the minutest details, none too minute to receive that attention which was always his best; his rare financial ability; his ripe experience and extensive knowledge of banking; his instinctive devotion to the interests committed to his charge; his wise foresight and anxious care for the interests of the bank, and his pride in its success. All these combined to make him what he was, and he was recognized to be a model corporation officer and cashier

Finer tribute from business associates than the foregoing could not be paid nor was tribute more justly paid. As a citizen, neighbor, friend, and father, he was of the best type, patriotic, helpful, loyal and devoted. He was of the seventh generation of Howlands in New England, tracing from Henry Howland, who was of record in Plymouth in 1624, a member of the Society of Friends in his later years, a convert. This Henry Howland lived and died at Duxbury, but he owned a large tract of land in Dartmouth, bought in 1652, and in 1659 was one of the twenty-seven purchasers of what was later Freetown. He married Mary Newland, the line following through their second son, Zoeth Howland, who was killed by Indians as Pocasset, January 21, 1676. Zoeth Howland, like his father, was a convert to the faith of the Society of Friends, but all his sons, except Samuel, were birthright members belonging to the Apponegansett Meeting. Henry Howland, son of Zoeth Howland, was a lumberman, lumber dealer and house builder, his homestead being on the opposite side of the road from the Apponegansett Meeting House, and a little west. He held a high position in town and church, and did a large business in sawing lumber. He married Deborah Briggs, and among his sons was Zoeth (2) Howland, who, with his wife, Sarah, lived in Westport, all his life. Philip Howland, son of Zoeth (2) Howland, lived and died in Westport, his home farm about one mile west of Westport Village. His son, Isaac Howland, a substantial



farmer and good citizen, married Lydia Cornell, and they were the parents of Stephen, father of Peleg C. Howland, whose worthy life furnishes the inspiration for this review. Stephen Howland was a leading business man, residing in Westport Village, where he died March 28, 1855. He married (second) March 4, 1824, Meribah Cornell, born December 29, 1801, died August 18, 1841. Their third son was Peleg C. Howland.

Peleg C. Howland was born in Westport, Massachusetts, April 29, 1830, and died in New Bedford, October 26, 1885. He prepared for a business career through the medium of public and private schools, finding his first position with a grocery firm of Westport, but at the age of sixteen, August 13, 1846, he entered the service of the Merchants Bank of New Bedford, a business connection which was only severed by death. John Avery Parker, one of New Bedford's foremost citizens, was then president of the bank, and James B. Congdon was its cashier. The bank had just attained its twenty-first year, having been organized in 1825. Mr. Howland, under the inspiration flowing from such men, rapidly absorbed the fundamentals, then expanded rapidly, seeming to be a financier through natural inclination and talent. Five years after his entrance he was promoted to the position of teller, May 30, 1851, then advanced to the post of assistant cashier, January 10, 1854, finally, on January 1, 1858, becoming cashier, after that office had become vacant through the resignation of James B. Congdon, the only man who had previously held that position with the Merchants' Bank. After the passage of the National Banking Act, the Merchants' reorganized as a National bank, thereby greatly enlarging its scope and increasing its importance. Mr. Howland was thoroughly familiar with the laws governing national finance and financeering, and as a cashier of the Merchants' National aided greatly in guiding the course of that institution to the high place attained among State financial institutions. The bank was his pride, and nothing in any way ever detracted from his complete absorption in its affairs. Prosperity came to the bank through the strength of its management; and everywhere Mr. Howland was regarded as the leading spirit. It was not alone his ability as a financier that gained him his reputation, but the nobility of his character, his unflinching courtesy, his genial, kindly nature, which attracted and held friends. He was very fond of children, and when they came to his own home he was the happiest of men. He had few interests outside the bank and his home, and there his memory is yet green.

Mr. Howland married (first) June 3, 1851, Lucy C. Congdon, daughter of James B. Congdon, who died October 8, 1867. He married (second) October 29, 1872, Clara E. Kempton, daughter of Horatio A. Kempton, who died August 15, 1879. He married (third) November 16, 1882, Elizabeth T. Kempton, sister of his second wife. Peleg C. Howland and his second wife, Clara E. (Kempton) Howland, were the parents of two daughters and

a son: Elizabeth Kempton Howland, an accomplished musician of New Bedford; Horation Kempton Howland, died June 1, 1915; and Clara Earle Howland, who married Joseph Cornell Nowell, and they are the parents of two children: Joseph C., Jr., and Elizabeth H. Nowell.

**EDWARD BELCHER HAYWARD**, one of Bristol county's most prominent citizens, and a civil engineer of marked ability, was born at Easton, Massachusetts, November 8, 1861, a son of Edward Russell Hayward, a respected agriculturist of that section, and Caroline Lincoln (Belcher) Hayward.

Edward B. Hayward's early education was obtained in the public schools of Easton, Massachusetts, following which he entered and was graduated from the North Easton High School. He then matriculated at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, which institute he attended two years, taking a special course in civil engineering. Upon the completion of his education, Mr. Hayward immediately began the practice of his profession at Brockton, Massachusetts, where he soon built up a large business. At the present time (1924) the business is in a very flourishing condition, under the name of Hayward & Hayward, Mr. Hayward, Sr., having taken one of his sons into the business with him as junior partner. Aside from his profession, Mr. Hayward is also active in the financial circles of his native county, being associated with the North Easton Co-operative Bank in an official capacity. Politically, Mr. Hayward gives his support to the Republican party. In the public life of his community he has for many years been an interested worker and a prominent figure, having served on the School Committee of Easton for a period of thirteen years. In the year 1892 he was elected to represent his county in the House of Representatives of the Massachusetts State Legislature, in which responsible office he conducted himself with distinction, serving as clerk of the Committee on Roads and Bridges. This committee was largely responsible for the inception and undertaking of the construction of State highways in which work Massachusetts has since held a leading part.

Edward B. Hayward was married at Moncton, New Brunswick, October 5, 1885, to Mary Ann Wheaton, daughter of William Albert and Judith (Weldon) Wheaton. To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Belcher Hayward have been born seven children, as follows: Roy Loring, born January 13, 1888; Kenneth Chase, born June 16, 1889; Beth Sylvia, born November 9, 1890; Edmond Carleton, born May 18, 1892; Emily Belcher, born February 11, 1894; Harold Wheaton, born March 27, 1895; and Caroline Georgianna, born September 12, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Hayward and their children are members of the Evangelical Congregational church of Easton, Massachusetts, and as a family are active in church work, the social circles of their community, and in all matters relating to public wel-

fare, civic improvement, and general advancement of the county and State.

**EDNA A. TRIPP**—One of the most popular and well patronized local enterprises in New Bedford, Massachusetts, is that conducted by Edna A. Tripp, in the line of manufacturing and distributing at retail, confectionery, ice cream, cake and French pastry. Miss Tripp has brought about the success and importance of this business through her own tireless and efficient endeavors, and she holds a prominent place among the really noteworthy executives of the city. She is a daughter of George A. and Mary B. (Reed) Tripp. Her father, who was a teamster by occupation, died in 1916, and her mother died in 1921.

Edna A. Tripp was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, February 23, 1893. Her education was limited to the public school course, and, after the completion of her studies, she secured a position in the waiting station at Marion, Massachusetts, where she was active for three years. Then, for a time, she was employed by Bates & Kirby, in New Bedford, in the capacity of clerk. Upon the death of her uncle, Charles A. Tripp, in 1918, she received from him a legacy sufficient to enable her to assume managership of the store of Bates & Kirby, in which position she remained until 1919. She then bought a considerable interest in the store and carried it forward under her own name for six months. At that time she withdrew from the company, but in 1922, in partnership with a Mr. Carroll, Miss Tripp purchased the entire interest of which she had previously been manager. This she has conducted since as a partnership, and has developed a very prosperous interest, manufacturing confectionery, ice cream, cake and French pastry for the local retail trade. Their product is of the finest, and Miss Tripp has brought out a number of very attractive specialties, winning a high position in the esteem of the community as a business woman, and winning large success in the sale of these products. Miss Tripp is a member of Grace Episcopal Church.

**EDWARD J. SWIG**—A noteworthy figure in the business life of Taunton, Massachusetts, is that of Edward J. Swig, who has had various lines of experience in commercial endeavors, and for the past few years has handled a prosperous and growing tobacco business, with headquarters on Weir street, Taunton. Mr. Swig is a member of a prominent family of this city, and a son of Simon and Fannie (Levy) Swig. His father was formerly a leading publisher of Springfield, Massachusetts, and since residing in Taunton has had important interests in Boston, both in the publishing business and in banking. His elder brother, Louis Swig, is a noted lawyer of Taunton, also prominent in public life, and a review of his life appears elsewhere in this work.

Edward J. Swig was born in Boston, Massachusetts, February 11, 1888. His education was acquired in the public schools of Taunton, where the

family later removed, and at an early age he left school to seek the independence of remunerative employment. His first experience in the world of industry was in the employ of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, in which connection he was active for about two years. He then became identified with the Attleboro Manufacturing Company, and was with that concern for a period of five years in the capacity of jeweler. Thereafter, for about one year, Mr. Swig was engaged along special lines of salesmanship, then he bought the present interest. Possessing a genial spirit and always genuinely interested in all that pertains to human progress, Mr. Swig has made countless friends among the business men of Taunton, and is a prominent figure in this city. He is doing a constantly increasing business and is counted among the successful men of the day in Taunton. During the World War Mr. Swig served as a member of the sub-department of engineering at Camp Meade, Maryland, and received his honorable discharge from the service. Fraternally he is a leading member of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, and his religious affiliation is with the Congregation Agudth Achim.

Edward J. Swig married, in Boston, Massachusetts, on June 17, 1919, Sadie Aronson, daughter of Joseph and Minnie (Pearlman) Aronson, her father a prominent merchant of Boston. They are the parents of one son, Summer Allison, born in 1920.

**GEORGE DANIEL FLYNN, Jr.**, one of the most prominent of the younger generation of business men in Fall River, Massachusetts, was born there on August 11, 1897, a son of George D. and Elizabeth (Doyle) Flynn, respected residents of that place. The senior Mr. Flynn has been prominent for many years in the industrial and commercial life of Fall River through his connection with the Old Colony Products Company, as president and as treasurer of the Ancona Mills.

The early education of George Daniel Flynn, Jr., was received in the Fowler Grammar School, of Fall River, Massachusetts, following which he entered the B. M. C. Durfee High School, where he remained for a period of two years. He then attended the Phillips Academy, at Andover, Massachusetts, from which institution he was graduated in 1915. Upon the completion of his preparatory work he matriculated at Harvard University, and was graduated with the class of 1919, receiving first the "war" degree of A. B., given during the period of the World War, and in 1920 he received the regular A. B. degree, completing the usual academic requirement that year.

Following his graduation, Mr. Flynn entered the employ of the Ancona Mills at Fall River, with which concern he holds the position of assistant treasurer, discharging the duties of his office with ability and efficiency. Mr. Flynn is a trustee of the Bradford Durfee Textile School, an important position and achievement for so young a business man, but one entirely deserved on account of the



breadth and scope of his education. During the World War Mr. Flynn enlisted for a period of four years in the United States Naval Reserve, volunteering his services to his country from May, 1917, to May, 1921, and saw active service from the date of his enlistment to December, 1918, serving as an ensign.

George Daniel Flynn, Jr., is a member of the Harvard Club, of New York City, and of the Quequechan Club, of Fall River, Massachusetts, and is interested and active in any worthy movement of a civic, county, public or municipal nature.

**ERNEST A. KIRBY**—With many years of practical experience in the cotton industry, Mr. Kirby has well earned the position that he holds today as superintendent of the Chase Cotton Mills. His experience in various departments of a number of mills gave him a familiarity with conditions that exist or were likely to arise, and he took his present position some years ago, well equipped to carry it to further development and success.

Mr. Kirby was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, on September 7, 1875, son of Andrew J. and Nellie (Perce) Kirby, both residents of Fall River, having come here from Leavenworth, Kansas. The son was educated in the public schools of Fall River, and on the completion of his education became employed in the Hargraves Cotton Mills, as a mill worker. He served this apprenticeship for two years, and subsequently worked in the following mills, through various departments of each, gaining a full knowledge of the work and industry: the Arkwright, Stafford, Ancona, and later the Fall River Iron Works. After many years spent in these various positions, Mr. Kirby became associated with the Chase Mills, and today is superintendent of them. His former experience gave him a wide knowledge of the cotton industry in its various phases, and he has been for over nine years (1924) connected with the Chase Mills. Mr. Kirby is keenly interested in the welfare of the community and of his workers, and takes an active part in the civic life of the city, and in all movements that tend to the betterment of conditions of work and of living. He is a strong member of the Republican party, working politically for improved government. In his fraternal affiliation he is a member of the various bodies of the Masonic order, holding the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and he also is connected with the bodies of the York Rite. He attends the First Congregational Church of Fall River.

Ernest A. Kirby married, at Fall River, on June 7, 1908, Louise G. Woodcock, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Plews) Woodcock, well known residents of Fall River, and both natives of England. They have an adopted daughter, Dorothy.

**JAMES R. RYDER**, born and educated in Fall River, has risen in the firm with which he is today manager from his first position, obtained after leaving school. He was born in May, 1892, son of

James H. and Mary (Logan) Ryder, his father for many years a clothing merchant in Fall River, and a writer of songs of note.

James R. Ryder received his education in the public schools and at Thibodeau Commercial School, and after completing his studies secured employment with Steinert & Sons as a bookkeeper. After serving faithfully for seven years, assisting in various capacities, and learning the business thoroughly, he was appointed manager, in 1916, and still is filling that position with ability and success. The establishment also carries a full line of the highest grade pianos and reproducing pianos, also a line of Victor talking machines and De Forrest radios. The store was originally located on North Main street, and at present is occupying two floors of the Bennett building, where they have been since 1901. They have three salesmen, and are in every way an up-to-date concern. Mr. Ryder, to whose concentrated endeavors much of the success of this firm is due, is fraternally affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus, his clubs being the Rotary and the Merchants' Association. In his religious affiliation he belongs to the Holy Name Roman Catholic Church.

James R. Ryder married, at Fall River, June 21, 1915, Mary E. Lee, daughter of Patrick and Ellen (Craig) Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Ryder are the parents of three children: Mary, born June 8, 1916; James R., born November 15, 1917; and Paul J., born January 19, 1923.

**FRANK C. TAYLOR**—Both in New Bedford and in Fairhaven, Massachusetts, Frank C. Taylor is known as a construction engineer of ability and experience. In New Bedford he was associated with Albert B. Drake for more than a decade, but for the past twenty years he has been engaged in business for himself, with an office at Middle street, in Fairhaven.

Born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, in July, 1869, Mr. Taylor is a son of John P. and Mary Howland (Gifford) Taylor. He received his education in the public schools of his native city, and after the completion of the grammar school course, he apprenticed himself to Albert B. Drake, the most prominent civil engineer of New Bedford. The connection proved to be mutually advantageous and was maintained for a period of twelve years, during which time Mr. Taylor devoted his full energy to the interests of Mr. Drake's business. In 1903 he established an enterprise of his own. He builds bridges, wharves, foundations, etc., and does pile driving, specializing in wharf and water work. His skill and excellent business methods have brought to him many important contracts and the enterprise has grown to proportions which require, at times, the services of nearly 200 men. At the present time Mr. Taylor is engaged in the construction of the Neck O' Land highway bridge at Taunton, Massachusetts, and the highway bridge over the railroad at Pocasset. Among other com-

pleted undertakings, he constructed all the buildings, towers and masts used in connection with radio outfits for Colonel E. H. R. Green at South Dartmouth, said Colonel Green being the son of the late Mrs. Hetty Green, both widely known in New York circles.

Mr. Taylor is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of Star in the East Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Adoniram Royal Arch Chapter; New Bedford Council, Royal and Select Masters; Boston Consistory; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the New Bedford Kiwanis Club and the New Bedford Yacht Club.

Frank C. Taylor married, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, Helen M. Pasell, daughter of Francis H. and Cordelia P. (Patt) Pasell, and they are the parents of one daughter, Alice, who married Jesse M. Willey, who have two children: Leonard T., who was born March 21, 1921; and Helen Louise, who was born August 17, 1922.

J. EDMUND ESTES, is a name familiar not only in the city of his residence but in countless cities of the United States, wherever school-children are taught patriotism by the splendid medium of song, and wherever the citizenry of any community gathers on Memorial Day, to do honor and to pay fitting tribute to the defenders of our country, both living and dead. For J. Edmund Estes, manufacturer, and a business man of importance in the textile industry, is also a poet and lyricist. His metier is, undoubtedly, the patriotic song, poem and ode, and these special examples of the fine art of prosody show excellent taste, a nice judgment, a prepotency of rhythmic sense, an extensive knowledge and familiarity with the rules of versification and the laws of metrical composition, as well as the glowing spark of creative genius. Furthermore, unlike the vast majority of patriotic songs and poems, Mr. Estes' contributions are essentially and fundamentally the very quintessence of patriotism, and never in any instance do they retrocede into the slough of sentimentalism. These poetic virtues of Mr. Estes have made him deservedly popular throughout the United States and her dependencies, and his name has become so closely identified with patriotic literature that one is almost the synonym of the other.

J. Edmund Estes is a descendant and a present-day representative of the ancient family of d'Este, originally seated in Italy ten centuries ago. Subsequent branches in England changed the spelling to Este, Estense, and finally to Estes. The progenitor of the house of Estes in America was Richard Estes, son of Robert and Dorothy Estes of Dover, England, who was born in the year 1647, came to America in 1684, and settled at what is now Portsmouth, New Hampshire. He married Elizabeth Beck and to them were born eleven children, including Robert, from whom the present line descends. Robert Estes was born in 1694 and married Ann Durfee in 1715, and of their four children,

Thomas Estes carries on the line. He was born in 1725 and married Elizabeth Thomas in 1747 and they were the parents of eight children. Edmund, seventh child of this union, was born in 1767, and married Elizabeth Lawton in 1793. They had issue: Edmund; and Job, from whom the line descends. Job Estes was born on March 24, 1797, and was married in 1823 to Miss Delilah Orswell of Tiverton, and to them were born seven children. John H. Estes, seventh child of this marriage, was born on June 19, 1835, at Tiverton. He married on December 26, 1866, Miss Caroline A. Ling of Fall River, a successful school teacher.

J. Edmund Estes, a member of the seventh generation of the Estes family in America, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, September 15, 1867, the eldest son of John H. and Caroline A. (Ling) Estes. Mr. Estes received his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, following which he entered the B. M. C. Durfee High School and was graduated from that institution with high honors in the year 1888. In the fall of 1888, he matriculated at Eastman College, where he took the business course, and was graduated at the head of his class in 1889. Upon the completion of his scholastic and collegiate work J. Edmund Estes immediately embarked upon his business career by becoming associated with his father in the textile industry, under the firm name of J. H. Estes & Son. In 1905 the rapidly growing plant was incorporated under the name of the "Estes Mills," with the father as president, J. Edmund Estes, treasurer, and Elmer B. Estes, his brother, as superintendent. The Estes Mills make an interesting variety of cotton goods including twine, yarn, sash cord, rope, mops, clothes lines, wicking and calking; also in an adjoining plant, absorbent and jewelers' cottons. Other lines of business with which Mr. Estes is identified are as follows: president of the Dyer Transportation Line from 1905 to date, 1924; president of the Fall River Steam & Gas Pipe Company for eleven years; a director of the Estes Mills and of the Peoples Bank, both of Fall River, and of the Dyer Transportation Line and the Paddock Paper Company, both of Providence, Rhode Island. Thus industry, commerce and finance are his correlated vocations. However, of such definite value have his contributions been in the field of literature that writing is distinctly his chief avocation. In this connection the Boston Sunday Globe says in part:

Although Mr. Estes occupies an important place in the business world, should you ask fifty persons "Who is J. Edmund Estes?" the answer would quite likely be, "Mr. Estes is a poet."

Following is an excerpt from a notice in the New Bedford Sunday Standard:

Manufacturer, business man, poet—this is J. Edmund Estes, author of the official carnival songs and odes. Wrapped up in the whiz and whirl of industry, a person would little think that Mr. Estes would find the time to write poetry, but he does. These carnival poems are by no means his only efforts.

The carnival poems, songs and odes referred to by the "Standard," were written by Mr. Estes es-



pecially for Fall River's 100th anniversary of the founding of its great cotton manufacturing industries. Mr. Estes was chosen official poet and a member of the publicity committee. The Cotton Centennial Carnival was held from June 19 to June 24, 1911, and as a gala event it has never been equalled or surpassed. In all, Mr. Estes has written and published over fifty noteworthy poems, and five of these were written for the aforementioned centennial, each receiving well-merited approbation. Excerpts are herewith presented:

#### THE MANUFACTURERS' FAIRYLAND

Fall River in her gala days  
Bows gratefully to words of praise.  
Here capital and labor meet  
And smilingly each other greet;  
Not armies that annihilate.  
But dynamos, that generate  
In unison; their work is done  
With joy; the common goal is won,  
As in the house; disputes arise,  
But justice duly rectifies.  
Success their dual duties crown,  
And firmly magnifies the town.  
What would our city be today  
If all the mills were swept away?  
These mills have built the home and store,  
The churches, schools and structures; more  
Both spindle and the loom impart  
Like great aorta of the heart;  
And kindred industries arise  
And point their chimneys to the skies.

#### JOIN IN THE PLEASURES OF PROGRESS.

Colonel Durfee mill was built one hundred years ago,  
Little acorn and great oak, how small beginnings grow.  
To this cotton industry our great success we owe.  
Weave, weave the fabric of progress.  
Hurrah! hurrah! we praise the cotton mill.  
Hurrah! hurrah! our hearts with rapture fill.  
Feeble strains of infancy have chorused with a will,  
Join in the carol of progress.

Joy there is in spreading joy, let all men lend a hand.  
Make a laudable success of everything that's planned,  
A carnival remarkable builds favor in the land.  
Help swell the plaudits of progress.  
Hurrah! hurrah! mill goods in pride displayed.  
Hurrah! hurrah! regatta and parade,  
Fireworks, airships, concerts, sports—come rally  
to our aid,  
Join in the pleasures of progress.

#### INVITATION ODE.

One hundred years ago  
To crude machines we owe  
A tribute grand.  
Unfailing progress came,  
Weaving both cloth and fame,  
Wafting Fall River's name  
Through every land.

Fall River bids you come,  
Four million spindles hum  
Your welcome here.  
Join us in rosy June,  
Come morning, night or noon,  
Come with your hearts attune  
With festal cheer.

#### WELCOME TO PRESIDENT TAFT.

Sweet is the rose that blooms in balmy June,  
Dear are the strains of love's familiar tune.  
Joy fills each heart and dominates the day,  
Garlands of greetings spangle love's highway;  
Carnival grand enjoys its chief event  
In the kind presence of our President.

Notes of warmest greeting waft upon the air.  
Treasure we the meeting, joy is everywhere,  
And the loom and spindle honored are today  
By a visit royal in love we say,  
Welcome President!

Four million spindles in our mills resound,  
Deep chorused by the busy shuttle's sound;  
Fibre and fabric, capital and toil,  
Have made a record Time cannot despoil.  
Thanks, thanks to thee, our worthy President,  
For thy good visit of encouragement.

J. Edmund Estes is more widely famed, however, for his patriotic verse, and for contextual excellence his work is extraordinary, there probably being no writer of similar attainments in the field of contemporary American poetry. Patriotic organizations over all these United States have sung his inspiring lyrics at their private and public meetings, armies have marched to their cadence, and battleships have echoed the noble phrases. Mr. Estes' "National Memorial Hymn" was perhaps his chief vehicle to fame, and is declared by some of the foremost educators in the country to be the greatest contribution to patriotic hymnology ever written. Memorial Day committees, woman's relief corps, school teachers and superintendents, Sons of Veterans, and the Grand Army of the Republic (to which organization it is dedicated)—all recommend it unqualifiedly and enthusiastically. The hymn, which is sung to the tune of "America," is included in its beautiful and sonorous entirety:

#### NATIONAL MEMORIAL HYMN

God bless the soldiers brave,  
Who did our Union save  
From thralldom's wrongs!  
They dearly loved the land  
Where Freedom's glories stand,  
And praise on every hand  
To them belongs.

May angels deck each mound  
That was not by us found,  
With choicest flowers;  
Long may the page of fame  
Preserve each hero's name,  
Who freed from slavery's shame  
This land of ours.

Like leaves in autumn blast  
Their ranks are thinning fast—  
We miss them all;  
But "Sons" will take their place,  
March with their measured pace,  
All battle dangers face,  
Should duty call.

We thank thee that today  
The clangor of the fray  
Is heard no more;  
May "Peace and Union" be  
The watchword of the free,  
And all our land agree  
From shore to shore.

Long may "Old Glory" wave  
Over the land these brave  
Old comrades won;  
Long may Columbia stand  
Firm as a rock-bound strand,  
A guide to every land  
Beneath the sun.

The exigencies of his business and literary life leave Mr. Estes little time for recreation or public

service, yet he takes a deep and active interest in all public welfare and charitable movements. For a period of five years he served as a director of the local Young Men's Christian Association, and for three years was a valued member of the Boy Scouts Council. He is also a member of the executive committee of the Fall River Burns Club, and a member of the Barrington Yacht Club. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist Temple, of which body he has been a devoted member since 1885.

J. Edmund Estes, industrialist, corporation executive, financier and poet of American ideals and patriotism, was married at Fall River, December 15, 1892, to Abbie P. Bronson, born July 26, 1870, in Fall River, a daughter of George W. and Sarah C. (Peckham) Bronson, and granddaughter of the Rev. Asa Bronson, first pastor of the Baptist Temple. Her father was a well-known educator, having been principal for many years of the Borden School at Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. J. Edmund Estes have one child, a son, Alden Estes, born on May 12, 1904. Mr. and Mrs. Estes and their son are prominent members of Fall River and Barrington society, and are valued citizens of their community, county and State.

**PETER MURRAY**, one of the most prominent business men and florists in Bristol county, was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, on October 15, 1874, a son of Peter and Flora Murray. The senior Mr. Murray was for many years a respected tailor of Aberdeen. Peter Murray's early education was obtained in the public schools of his birthplace, following which he learned the florist's trade. In the year 1893 he came to America and settled first at Dedham, Massachusetts, where he followed his vocation. He then removed to Portsmouth, New Hampshire, where he accepted the position as manager of the well-known nurseries of the Hon. Frank Jones. He remained in this capacity at Portsmouth until the year 1896, when he removed to Fair Haven to become a manager of the estates of Walter P. Winsor. In 1906 he started in business for himself, and due to his natural ability and industry, he soon became known as one of the most successful florists and horticulturists in the vicinity, his business having been a growing one from the very start, and at the present time being in a very flourishing condition. In addition to the many duties of his occupation Mr. Murray finds time to serve as a trustee of the Fairhaven Institute of Savings; and as Tree Warden; and he gives his hearty support and coöperation to all movements for the welfare of the community.

Fraternally, Mr. Murray has been especially active in Masonic circles, and is Past Master of George H. Taber Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Past Patron of the Eastern Star; Past Master of Caledonia Lodge, No. 320, Free and Accepted Masons; and is a member of Allegro Temple of Boston. He also holds membership in the Masonic Club and the Wamsutta Club.

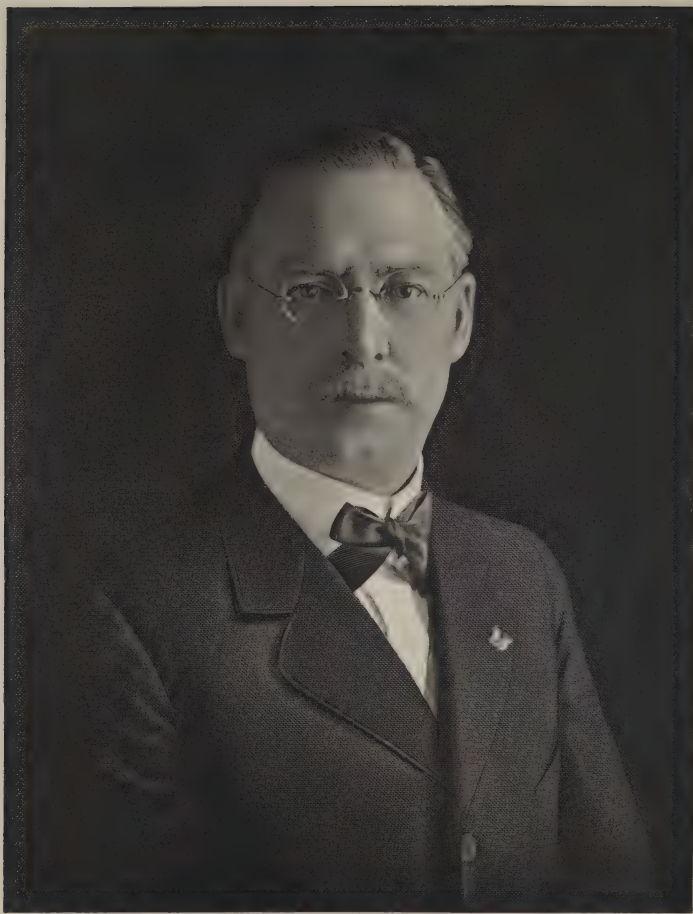
Peter Murray was married at Surrey, Massachusetts, to Mary Ann Reynolds, whose death occurred on January 8, 1922. He is a member of the Congregational Church of Fairhaven, Massachusetts, and is a sincere and indefatigable worker both in the church and in any phase of public service.

**CLARENCE F. DELANO**, well known and prominent merchant of Bristol county, was born at Fairhaven, Massachusetts, on July 11, 1869, son of William Baxter and Mercy A. (Caswell) Delano. William Baxter Delano was connected for many years with the Charles Tabor Picture Frame Company. He was a son of Charles and Sally (Blossom) Delano. Charles Delano, the grandfather of Clarence F. Delano, of whom this record, married as his second wife in the year 1819, Miss Desire Wrightington. Mercy A. (Caswell) Delano, mother of Clarence F. Delano, was a daughter of Harvey and Lydia (Eldridge) Caswell; Harvey Caswell having been born in the year 1786. From the above it is seen that Clarence F. Delano, the subject of this biographical sketch, is descended from old and prominent New England stock, both on his father's and mother's side.

Clarence F. Delano was educated in the public schools of his birthplace, following which he apprenticed himself to the Wood-Brightman Company for a period of eight years. After completing his apprenticeship he entered the employ of S. C. Lowe of New Bedford, Massachusetts, in the capacity of a plumber, and here remained for two and one-half years, gaining additional experience in his chosen vocation. In the spring of 1897 he went into business for himself and established a hardware store at No. 72 Main street, Fairhaven, in a building that was known as the "old shore factory". Here, in addition to a general hardware business, Mr. Delano conducts a plumbing, heating, tin and sheet metal work establishment. The venture has been successful from the very start, and has grown steadily and surely, until today it ranks as one of the best of its kind in Fairhaven and throughout Bristol county.

Outside of his business, Mr. Delano has taken a true citizen's interest in public and civic affairs. For a period of four and one-half years he ably and creditably served as a member of the Sewer Commission. During the late World War he served as a member of the National Guard of the State of Massachusetts, and was also active in the many drives for funds coincident with the war. Fraternally, he has been especially active in Masonic circles, being a member in good standing of the George H. Taber Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Adoniram Royal Arch Chapter of New Bedford; Royal Arch Masons, of Fairhaven; New Bedford Council, Royal and Select Masters; Gifford Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; and the Masonic Club of Fairhaven. He is also a member of the Sconticut Lodge, Improved Order of Red Men; and of the Leighton Club, Fairhaven, Massachusetts.





Thos. H. Arden



Clarence F. Delano married at Fairhaven, Massachusetts, September 14, 1895, Miss Mary Jane Dunn, a daughter of Benjamin T. and Adeliza (Paine) Dunn. Mr. and Mrs. Delano are the parents of one son: Richard F. Delano, who was born October 16, 1897. Mr. and Mrs. Delano and their son are affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church of Fairhaven, Massachusetts, and are active both in the work of the church and in the social circles of their community. They also give their financial aid and personal support to any worthy movement that has as its design the promotion of interest in public welfare, or the betterment of public or county conditions.

**FRANK W. SANFORD**, whose active career has been diverse in its ramifications, was born and reared in the State of New York, acquired his business experience there, but attained prominence in his line of endeavor and achieved success in the State of Massachusetts. He was born at Auburn, New York, on October 15, 1885, son of Charles L. and Mary (Durbin) Sanford, respected residents of that place.

He attended the public and grammar schools of his birthplace, and having received a solid foundation of the fundamentals of education, he left school and entered the employ of Foster, Ross & Baucus, dry-goods merchants of Auburn. Mr. Sanford remained with this firm for a period of ten years, learning the business thoroughly in all its departments and from all angles. At the end of this time he removed to Buffalo, New York, to accept the positions of buyer and of department manager for the Wilson Company, which he filled creditably during the years 1910 and 1911. During the last two months of 1911 he was associated with the firm of Keens & Kelly, also dry-goods merchants of Buffalo. On November 11, 1911, Mr. Sanford came to Fall River, Massachusetts, where he became identified as departmental buyer and manager, discharging the duties devolving upon these two offices with his usual ability and efficiency until July, 1918, when he severed his connections with the R. A. McWhirr Company in order to take a part in the World War. He went over-seas with the Young Men's Christian Association War Work Council and for nearly four years served with great usefulness and distinction with this humanitarian organization. He then returned to the United States, and again affiliated himself with the R. A. McWhirr Company on June 27, 1922, this time in the capacity of general store superintendent. In this position with "Fall River's largest store," Mr. Sanford at the present time (1924) is still identified, his able and sincere work forming a definite asset to the progress and advancement of the firm. In addition to the war work already touched upon, Mr. Sanford was active in the maneuvers of the National Guard of the State of Massachusetts from June, 1917, to July, 1918.

Mr. Sanford has limited his fraternal relations to membership in the ancient Masonic body, but in

Masonic circles he has been very active. He is a member of King Philip's Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Migel Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; — Council, Royal and Select Masters; and of the Godfrey De Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar. He also has the distinct honor of being president of the International Young Men's Christian Association Club.

Mr. Frank W. Sanford married at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1914, Miss Madeleine Kirby, daughter of Charles and Laura Kirby. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford are active in the social circles of their community.

**THOMAS H. ARDEN**—The interests of one of the most important life insurance companies in the world are in the hands of Thomas H. Arden in the Taunton district, and Mr. Arden has the distinction of being the oldest manager of this company now active in New England, ranking first in length of service in their employ. This is the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and with offices in the Crocker building, Mr. Arden has developed the business of this district to a very important and prosperous interest. An efficient executive, with many years of experience in the business world behind him, Mr. Arden has filled his present position for thirty-three years and has been identified with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company for thirty-seven years. He comes of an old English family, and his father, William Arden, was born in England. Coming to America in 1847 as a young boy, William Arden espoused the cause of union and liberty at the time of the Civil War, joining the 12th Regiment, Rhode Island Volunteer Infantry. He had three other brothers in the Civil War. He later became a noteworthy cotton operator, continuing in this general field of activity until his death, which occurred in 1918. He married Sarah J. Hill, who was born at Belfast, Ireland, and who died in 1920.

Thomas H. Arden was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, February 16, 1861. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and he prepared for his business career with a practical course at the Holmes Commercial College at Fall River. His first experience was as a clothing salesman in the employ of an internationally known concern of Fall River, and after four years in this connection he became identified with the Durfee Mills at Fall River, where he continued until 1886. Mr. Arden then accepted a position in the employ of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in the capacity of agent. The work placed in his hands proved to be congenial, and he developed not only a taste, but large adaptability to this branch of endeavor with the result that promotion in the ranks of the company came early. He was made assistant manager in 1888, and in 1890 was established in Taunton as manager for this district. For a number of years the offices of the company were located in the Manheim block, but in 1906 their headquarters were removed to the present location

in the Crocker building. The wonderful growth and development of the interests of the Metropolitan in this district have been principally due to the untiring energy and unflinching tact of Mr. Arden. Minutely and exhaustively versed in life insurance at all times, and possessing the ability to present a proposition in logical form, Mr. Arden has won great success in his chosen field and stands among the really important men of New England in this branch of economic advance. In the various interests of the municipality in the responsibilities of the citizen to the land of his nativity and in fraternal and social endeavor, Mr. Arden has for many years been a familiar figure in Taunton. He has for three years been treasurer of the Social Welfare League of Taunton, and during the World War was very active in the sale of War Savings Certificates, receiving commendation from the United States Government in recognition of his tireless endeavors along this line. He has never accepted the honors and responsibilities of public office, but is now serving as a member of the Taunton Sewer Commission which he has served for eight years. Fraternally he is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is further a member of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, which he has served as treasurer of the building committee for the past seven years; Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias; Fall River Lodge, Knights of Malta, of which he is past commander; and the Young Men's Protective and Benevolent Society. His clubs are the Winthrop, the Bristol, and the Segregansett Country. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and the Veterans' Insurance Society, of which he is president. His religious affiliation is with St. Thomas' Episcopal Church.

Mr. Arden married, in 1884, Jennie E. Bayley, of Fall River, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ellesee) Bayley. Mr. and Mrs. Arden are the parents of two children: 1. Thomas H., Jr., born in 1887, a graduate of Roger Allen Commercial School of Fall River; he served as treasurer of the War Stamp drive in Taunton during the World War; for ten years he was assistant manager under his father in the insurance business at Taunton, and since 1921 has been manager for E. J. Goudy Company, box toe manufacturers, of Brockton, Massachusetts. 2. Ella Myrtle, born in 1891, graduate of the Taunton High School, the wife of Edmund Newton, now living in Taunton.

**WILLIAM COOK GRAY, A.B., LL.B.**—As a leading lawyer of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and register of deeds for the Fall River district of the county, William Cook Gray is a noteworthy figure, and in his professional activities, which center in Fall River, he is bearing a leading part in the advance of his time. Mr. Gray is a member of an old family of Tiverton, Rhode Island, and is a

son of Wanton H. and Phoebe A. (Durfee) Gray, both natives of Tiverton. The father was a captain of whaling vessels until his fortieth year, when he married and settled in Fall River. Here for some years he was engaged in the fish business, then later in the distribution of ice as a member of the firm of Gray & Young. He died at the comparatively early age of fifty-two years, and the mother passed away in 1891.

William Cook Gray was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 9, 1873. His education was begun in the schools of Fall River and when still a young lad he determined upon a professional career. Entering Harvard College, he covered the usual course in the liberal arts at that institution, and was graduated in 1896 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His higher education, however, was principally in his own hands, and as a means of furthering its advance he then associated himself with the newspaper business. He first served as a proofreader on the Fall River "News," then later was active on the Fall River "Herald" as telegraph editor and reporter. In 1902 Mr. Gray again took up his studies, entering Harvard Law School, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Law in 1905. He took up the practice of his chosen profession in the offices of Judge Hugo A. Dubuque, then after two years formed a law partnership with William E. Fuller, Jr., under the firm name of Fuller & Gray. This affiliation continued until Mr. Fuller's death, which occurred in 1917; just prior to that event Mr. Gray was appointed register of deeds by the county commissioners to succeed Mr. Mills, resigned. At the November election he was chosen to fill out the unexpired term, and in 1922 was elected for another term, both times without opposition. He is now serving in this office efficiently and well, in connection with his general practice. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Gray is a strong party man, but considers the welfare of the people the paramount object in all party advance. Fraternally he is identified with Massasoit Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and his religious affiliation is with the Unitarian Society of Fall River.

Mr. Gray married, October 1, 1918, Blanche R. Amiot of Fall River.

**EDWARD D. TOOBILL**—As managing editor of the Fall River "Evening Herald" Mr. Toohill has become well known to the Fall River public, and they have learned to value his editorial utterances very highly. He is a native son of the Empire State, born in Auburn, New York, son of David S. and Agnes (Bump) Toohill, his father also born in Auburn, his mother in Alden, New York. David S. Toohill was for some years engaged in the wholesale business, but later was connected with the Department of Public Works of the State of New York, and was concerned in the construction of the Barge Canal. For several years he served as a member of the Cayuga County Board of Supervisors, but later moved to Rochester, New York, where he died in 1913. Mrs. Agnes Toohill died in Rochester in 1918.



Edward D. Toohill was born in Auburn, New York, December 29, 1879, and there began his education in the public schools. He thoroughly prepared for college and entered Cornell University, where, at the age of twenty-two he was graduated A. B., class of 1902. He entered newspaper work at once following graduation, his first position that of telegraph editor on the Auburn "Bulletin," a post he followed for two years. From the "Bulletin" Mr. Toohill went to the Ithaca (New York) "News," remaining with that paper three years as city editor. He was next with the Erie (Pennsylvania) "Dispatch" as a feature writer and later as managing editor. He remained in Erie with the "Dispatch" for three years, leaving in 1910 to accept a position as managing editor of the "Evening Herald" of Fall River, Massachusetts, and in that position he has ever since remained, 1910-1923. He has made many warm friends in Fall River and he is highly regarded as one of the strongest of the local editorial writers. He thoroughly trained for the position he holds and is a newspaper man of the best class, alert and resourceful, holding all else subordinate to the interests of the journal he serves. He is classed as a Republican in his personal politics, but there is a strong vein of independence in his nature, and he has perhaps strayed off the reservation at times. He is a member of the Cornell Club of New England, Lions Club of Fall River, Chamber of Commerce, and is connected with the First Congregational Church.

Mr. Toohill married, April 19, 1905, Alice Stokes of Watertown, South Dakota, and they are the parents of a daughter, Beatrice A.

**HERBERT E. DODGE**—Thirty-three years ago (1890) Mr. Dodge began his career as a Young Men's Christian Association worker, and during those years has been continuously on the "firing line," serving many of the associations of the country either as physical director in earlier years, or as general secretary as at Fall River, to which association he came in 1910. While the Young Men's Christian Association has for its object, primarily, the religious and moral development of men, and is a strong ally of the church, it goes further and provides for the development of the physical man and his material welfare. Hence its educational and industrial branches and varied activities have made the Young Men's Christian Association a great university, an industrial training school, and an entertainment centre; in fact a great business in which the spiritual and the physical are so nicely balanced that there is no more important office than that of general secretary of this association. It is his duty to maintain a high spiritual atmosphere, make his educational department worth while, have the entertainment features attractive, and provide the all important ways and means. In fact he must be a platform speaker, lay and religious, a business man and a financier. That there are such men the multitude of buildings of the association all over the land attest, and Fall River is prepared to put forth a claim that in Mr. Dodge reposes every

qualification that goes to make the valuable, successful Young Men's Christian Association general secretary.

Herbert E. Dodge was born in a home built half of logs in the town of Flint, New York, October 2, 1866, son of Allen and Eliza (Garripe) Dodge, his father also born in Flint, his mother in Rensselaer county, New York. They were married in Flint and there the father engaged all his life as a farmer. The lad Herbert attended the district public school and later was a student at Canandaigua Academy four terms, but from his thirteenth year until his twenty-first he was a worker in a factory and on the farm. After reaching man's estate he taught school for one year, then for two years traveled, selling nursery stock (1888-1890). In September, 1890, he began his work in the Young Men's Christian Association as a paid employe, going with the Danville, Pennsylvania, association as physical director, a position he had prepared himself for through years of personal gymnasium and athletic work.

Starting with his work with the association at Danville, Pennsylvania, in September, 1890, a chronological record of the positions held follows: September, 1890-April, 1892, physical director at Danville; April, 1892-April, 1893, physical director of the North-west branch of the Young Men's Christian Association in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; April, 1893-April, 1896, general secretary at Danville, Pennsylvania; April, 1896-April, 1898, general secretary at Pottsville, Pennsylvania; April, 1898-June, 1906, general secretary at Warren, Pennsylvania; June, 1906-September, 1910, general secretary at Terre Haute, Indiana; September, 1910, to date (May, 1923) general secretary, Fall River, Massachusetts. He has grown in strength as a Young Men's Christian Association man and is held in high esteem by his contemporaries in the work. At Fall River his work has been prolific of good results, his associates in the work trust their leader implicitly, and the work of the association prospers in all departments.

In addition to the regular work of his office Mr. Dodge, during the period of the World War, threw himself heartily into the extra work that the Young Men's Christian Association assumed. He traveled approximately 20,000 miles and addressed 185 audiences of men of the various branches of the United States Army and Navy. He is a hearty, whole-souled, devoted and consecrated Young Men's Christian Association man, and there is no higher type of manhood, outside the Christian ministry.

Mr. Dodge is a member of King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; member and secretary of the Fall River Rotary Club; member of the official board of Union Methodist Episcopal Church; superintendent of the Union Methodist Episcopal Sunday School; president of Fall River District Sunday School Association, and finds his social relaxation at the Fall River Golf Club, of which he is a member. He is a platform speaker much in demand, and meets all calls made upon him as far as possible. He possesses a wealth of true friends and has made his work a source of great good to the city.

Mr. Dodge married, October 12, 1893, Lena A. Tiffany of Rochester, New York, daughter of Charles U. and Marietta (Hess) Tiffany. Mr. and Mrs. Dodge were the parents of seven children: Margaret, married Charles W. Borden of Fall River; Charles H., a student in Illinois State University; Helen V., pianist and bookkeeper in the Fall River Young Women's Christian Association; Allen N., a senior in Fall River High School; Richard F., and Ruth L., yet in grammar school; and Warren, deceased.

**FERNALD LESTER HANSON, A.B., A.M., LL.B.**—A noteworthy figure in professional circles in Fall River is Fernald Lester Hanson, who has attained a leading position in the legal profession and is known among the broadly successful men of Bristol county, Massachusetts. Mr. Hanson is also prominent in the public service in Somerset, Massachusetts, where his residence has been located for some years, while his professional interests center in Fall River.

He is a son of Magnus Hanson, who was born in Sweden, and was a ship carpenter in early life, later becoming active in farming operations. Magnus Hanson came to the United States as a young man and settled at Somerset, Massachusetts. He became one of the most highly esteemed residents of Somerset, successful in business and a leader in community advance, and for twelve years served as postmaster of Pottersville in the town of Somerset. Mr. Hanson married Deborah Melvina Purinton, who was born in Somerset, of old Colonial stock; both are now deceased.

Fernald Lester Hanson was born in Somerset, December 1, 1875. He received his early education in the local public schools, then attended the B. M. C. Durfee High School of Fall River and was graduated from that institution in the class of 1894. His higher education was begun in the fall of the same year at Harvard University, from which he received the Bachelor's degree, *magna cum laude*, in 1898, the Master's degree in Arts in 1899, and the degree of Bachelor of Law in 1901. Upon his admittance to the bar of his native State, Mr. Hanson entered upon the practice of his chosen profession with Hollis R. Bailey and Richard H. Dana, at No. 53 State street, Boston, Massachusetts. Active in this connection for a period of two years he later became affiliated with Albert E. Pillsbury, ex-Attorney-General of Massachusetts, at Boston, and in 1906 came to Fall River, opening his own offices at Suite No. 109 in the Granite block, where he has since gone forward along general lines and has won a noteworthy position in the profession, having served as auditor and special master in numerous Superior Court cases. Since his marriage Mr. Hanson has been a resident of Somerset, just across the river from Fall River, and he has won the highest prominence in the public life of this community.

His experience in law has been largely useful to the administration of local affairs in all the bodies of town government upon which he has served. From 1908 to 1911, inclusive, he was a member and

chairman of the School Committee, and in 1912 he was elected selectman of Somerset, in which office he has served continuously since and is still active. He was a member of the special committee of the town for the investigation of conditions relative to the establishment of a system of water supply; he has served as chairman of school house building committees, being chiefly instrumental in securing for the central part of Somerset the \$50,000 Pottersville School, reputed to be one of the finest town schools in the State. Mr. Hanson was a member of the Local Committee on Public Safety, and chairman of the Somerset Fuel Committee during the World War. In 1922 and 1923 he was local emergency fuel administrator. Mr. Hanson is widely prominent fraternally, holding membership in Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somerset; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Azab Grotto. He is also a member of Elysian Lodge, No. 73, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Somerset. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and his clubs are the Harvard of Fall River, Harvard of Boston, and the Quequechan of Fall River. He attends the First Baptist Church of Fall River.

Mr. Hanson married, April 14, 1908, Louise Dean Davol, daughter of George S. and Mary L. Davol, of Fall River, and they are the parents of one daughter, Louise, a student at the Westall Grammar School of Fall River.

**WALTER J. CLEMONS, A.B., A.M.**—A patron of that art which appeals to every human being—music, Walter J. Clemson, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is a composer of some fame, and devotes a generous share of his means to the encouragement of musical genius. Highly educated in his native England, Mr. Clemson bears a constructive part in many phases of local or general advance, and he has helped to make Taunton a center of musical interest. Mr. Clemson is a son of William and Helen (Adcock) Clemson, both natives of Derby, England, and members of distinguished families of that country, his father a wealthy manufacturer of that city.

Walter J. Clemson was born in London, England, February 17, 1857. His early education was received under the care of the best tutors obtainable, and later entering Cambridge University, he was graduated from that institution in 1885, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In that year Mr. Clemson came to the United States, spending several months, then after returning to England until the summer of 1886, again crossed the Atlantic, taking his degree of Master of Arts, and has since been a resident of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts.

Mr. Clemson is the founder of the vested choir of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church of Taunton, and has been choir master of that body for thirty-eight years, part of which time he was junior and then senior warden of the parish. In these positions of eminence and influence he has done much,



not only for the church and choir, but for a deeper appreciation of music among the people. Mr. Clemson became a founder in 1893 of the American Guild of Organists, and for eight years he served as dean of the New England chapter. For several years he has been instructor of music in the Taunton High School, a position which he still holds, and his broad familiarity with, and enthusiasm in, music as an art have been forces counting more for the permanent significance of music to their lives rather than for mere facility in the work of the students. During the World War Mr. Clemson was the leader of all community singing in Taunton, and the inspiration of those occasions when masses of people numbering thousands gathered about Taunton Green, and sang patriotic songs under his direction, will be a never-dying memory in the hearts of those who witnessed or participated.

In musical circles throughout the United States his name is held in the highest esteem, for his own celebrity is his slightest interest, and as a philanthropist his relation to musical advance is a vital one. Since the year 1893 Mr. Clemson has donated annually a gold medal, which is awarded to any inhabitant of the United States composing the best sacred anthem. Through this benefaction many compositions of great beauty and permanent value have found recognition, and many obscure composers have been brought out into prominence, to the end that valuable contributions have been made to the sacred music of the time. Mr. Clemson's work in his chosen field in Taunton has done wonders for the encouragement of musical effort and the appreciation of really fine music, and the people of Taunton regard him as one of the public-spirited men of the city. But his reaching out as he has done in giving a helping hand to aspiring musical genius throughout the nation places him among the men whose names will be remembered as a great patron of the arts.

In every field of human endeavor Mr. Clemson's attitude toward current effort is one of the broadest sympathy. He is a prominent member of St. Botolph Club, of Boston, also of the Tavern Club, of Boston, and of the Old Colony Historical Society of Taunton. For two years he has served as chairman of the Red Cross Society of Taunton, and is now president of the Life Saving Corps. He served as a member of the Massachusetts State Guard during the police strike in Boston, his enlistment covering a period of two years. Politically he supports the Republican party, but has never accepted the honors or emoluments of public office. He has been a member of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church of Taunton since coming to this country, and is a leading figure in all its social and benevolent activities as well as directing the church music.

Walter J. Clemson married, in 1888, Harriet A. (Mason) Sparks, widow of W. E. Sparks, and daughter of William and Harriet (Metcalf) Mason. Both the Metcalf and Mason families are very old and highly honored ones of Massachusetts, the pioneers having originally settled in Taunton, and these lines having remained in this community con-

tinuously until the present time. Mr. and Mrs. Clemson are the parents of two daughters: May, wife of Arthur R. Sharp; and Ethel, wife of E. Crosland Taylor.

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**GEORGE B. LOVELL**—A descendant of the Massachusetts Lovells, and a grandson of Rev. Nehemiah G. Lovell, a Baptist minister of Bellingham, Massachusetts, George B. Lovell, treasurer of the Fall River Morris Plan Company, is a native son of Fall River, his mother, Abbie A. (Brown) Lovell, also born in that city, daughter of Josiah Brown, a nationally known civil engineer, builder of the Hoosac Tunnel, and of many of the mill structures of Fall River. Abbie A. Brown married Shubael P. Lovell, born in Bellingham, Massachusetts, the first treasurer of the Stafford Mills of Fall River, cotton manufacturers, and they were the parents of George B. Lovell, of this review. Shubael P. and Abbie A. (Brown) Lovell are both deceased, Fall River having been their home until the end.

George B. Lovell was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, December 14, 1876. He completed a full course of public school study with graduation from Fall River High School in 1894, and at once entered business as a member of the clerical force of the Union Cotton Manufacturing Company of Fall River, spending four and one-half years in the employ of that corporation. He next formed an association with the Hargraves & Parker Mills, an association that was unbroken for a period of nineteen years, although his position was one of increasing responsibility with each year. In 1918 Mr. Lovell resigned to accept the position of treasurer of the Fall River Morris Plan Company, and that position he has held during the five years which have since intervened.

Mr. Lovell is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is a past master; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters. He is a member of the First Baptist Church, the Quequechan Club, and in politics is a Republican. He is unmarried.

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**JUDGE WILLIAM S. WOODS**—The profession of the law in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is represented by a group of thoroughly progressive and forward-looking men, whose activities are contributing to every branch of social, industrial and commercial advance. In this group Judge William S. Woods holds a leading position, and his twenty-eight years of experience as a member of the Massachusetts bar has carried him to a high position. Judge Woods is a son of John J. Woods, who was born in Dublin, Ireland, and came to the United States as a young man, settling in Essex county, Massachusetts, where for many years he was active in the grocery and provision business. He died in 1915, at an advanced age, esteemed and honored by all who knew him, for he had been

an upright and progressive citizen of his adopted country. The mother, Anne Kelley, who was born in County Westmeath, Ireland, died in 1909.

William S. Woods was born in Newburyport, Essex county, Massachusetts, November 16, 1869. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from high school in 1886, then attended Ottawa University at Ottawa, Canada, after which he spent two years at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. His choice of a profession early made, he entered Harvard University Law School, from which he was graduated in 1895, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar in May of the same year, Mr. Woods took up the practice of his chosen profession in August, 1895, and has practiced continuously in Taunton from that time until the present, with offices in the Rand building, at No. 1 Broadway.

In the public life of the city of Taunton, Judge Woods is a figure long distinguished as one of the honored public servants of his time. As far back as the year 1898 he became city solicitor for the city of Taunton and served in this capacity for six years, resigning to accept the appointment of Governor Bates, as associate justice of the District Court of Bristol county. Serving on the bench for nineteen years he has displayed the qualities which mean so much in the administration of justice, and his work is recalled as eminently fair-minded, for he was able to take into account every side of a question and every phase of human experience. He was elected to the office of mayor of Taunton in 1909, and in this, the highest local office in the gift of the people, he had the honor of serving as the first mayor under the new charter. His record in administrative activities was as constructive and estimable as in his judicial capacity. For several years he served as a member of the school committee, and when the World War called out the best endeavors of every citizen, he served for a period as chairman of the local draft board, also giving largely of his time and energy as one of the "four-minute" speakers in this city and also assisted the Legal Advisory Board in their activities. He was also a member of the Navy League of the United States and received a certificate from the government in recognition of his war-time services. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, and the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters. His religious affiliation is with the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Woods married, on October 12, 1905, Florence M. Garvin, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Charles and Catherine (Toomey) Garvin. Mr. and Mrs. Woods are the parents of three children: Muriel G., born January 12, 1908; Natalie F., born in January, 1909; and Wilma Ann, born in April, 1915.

**ARTHUR M. REED**—A noteworthy figure in the public life of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is

Arthur M. Reed, who for some years has been a member of the Board of County Commissioners and is numbered among the really significant men of the day in the public advance. With practical experience in business affairs and the natural ability which counts for breadth of usefulness in any field, Mr. Reed is definitely contributing to the welfare of the people in the work in which he is engaged. He is a son of John M. Reed, who was born in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, and was for many years engaged in teaming and also in the ice business in Fall River. John M. Reed was a member of the City Council of Fall River for a number of years, taking an active part in all civic affairs, and for about six years was a member of the Associate Board of County Commissioners, on which he was serving at the time of his death, which occurred in September, 1909, at the age of fifty-nine years. He married, in Dartmouth, Massachusetts, in 1872, Nannie B. Sadler, who was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, and survived him for nearly fourteen years, passing away February 20, 1923, at the age of seventy-two years.

Arthur M. Reed was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, April 13, 1876. His education was begun in the public schools of Fall River and he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1894. He then entered mercantile interests and, settling in North Westport, Massachusetts, conducted a general store for about twenty-five years, during ten years of that time acting as postmaster of North Westport. In the year 1909, following the death of his father, Mr. Reed was appointed to succeed him on the Board of Associate County Commissioners and served for nine years in this connection. In the year 1919 Mr. Reed sold his business in North Westport, although still retaining his residence in that community, but since his retirement has been recalled to the public service. In August, 1921, he was appointed to the Board of County Commissioners to succeed Frank M. Chace, whose death had left a vacancy. In November, 1922, Mr. Reed was elected to the board for a four year's term, the voice of the people calling him to this responsibility with no uncertain sound. Out of sixteen towns and four cities he carried fourteen towns and three cities, his election being consummated with a majority of more than three thousand votes. In his public service Mr. Reed has always given to the responsibilities placed in his hands the same practical ability and constant devotion to duty which won him success in his business career, and as a progressive citizen and public servant he is looked upon as one of those men to whom the public owe much. Always loyal to the best interests of the people and to his duty as a public official, his record is one which sets an excellent example to the younger men of the day as they take up the duties of public life. For many years Mr. Reed has owned and developed considerable real estate in North Westport, and in recent years he has been active in the real estate business in





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this community, his operations doing much for the progress of the section, especially in the encouragement of home-ownership among the working people.

Mr. Reed married, December 30, 1895, Jennie M. Borden, daughter of the late Jonathan Borden, a prominent farmer of North Westport, and they are the parents of two children: 1. Harry L., associated with the Armour interests as their representative in the Fall River branch of their meat packing establishment, and prominent in fraternal circles as a member of Noquochoke Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He served for about two years and a half in the United States Navy during the World War. He enlisted April 20, 1917, shortly after America intervened and was assigned to duty in the transport service. He was active for nearly a year after the signing of the armistice and received his honorable discharge as a machinist's mate. 2. Marion K. Mr. Reed and his family are members of the Christian Church.

**HENRY JAMES COLLIS**—There are few figures in the commercial or industrial life of Taunton, Massachusetts, more thoroughly representative of high personal achievement than Henry James Collis, whose success has been won wholly through his own endeavors, and who may well lay claim to the American title of honor, the self-made man. Taking up for his life-work an established industry, he has developed new branches, and has given to his own product the dignity and significance of specialization, in which he has won wide recognition in the trade. Mr. Collis is a son of Charles J. and Mary N. (Ford) Collis, both natives of England. His father was a veterinary surgeon during the early part of his life, but as Vermont was sparsely settled, and business in that line was very limited, he went into the provision business, in which he continued during the latter part of his life. He came to America in the prime of life, bringing his family with him, and until his death was prominent professionally in New Hampshire and Vermont. He died in 1911, the mother having passed away four years previously.

Henry James Collis was born in England, July 12, 1873. His studies were begun in his native land, but the family crossed the Atlantic when he was nine years of age, and he attended the public schools of Vermont and New Hampshire, completing his studies at the Lyndon Institute at Lyndon Center, Vermont. Mr. Collis went to Newburyport, Massachusetts, as a young man, and in the factory of E. P. Dodge Manufacturing Company in that city learned the trade of shoe designing and pattern-making. After three years of activity in this connection he was employed in the same general field in Haverhill, Massachusetts, for a short time, then returned to Newburyport as an employee of the Newburyport Shoe Company. There he was engaged in the designing room for four years, after which he went to New York City to accept a re-

sponsible position in the plant of the John G. Lattimer Shoe Company. There he was placed in charge of all designing and pattern-making, and remained with that concern for a period of four years, leaving only to enter business in an independent way. He started business in New York City in the year 1903, under the firm name of the H. J. Collis Manufacturing Company, where he began the manufacture of a corset ankle support, of which he was the sole inventor, and on which he had obtained the basic patents. This support was soon recognized by physicians and professors of physical training as an appliance of great value to the college and sporting goods trade, and the demand for it has steadily increased. Mr. Collis remained in New York for about two years, but when the necessity for expansion became imperative he found it desirable to remove his business to Boston. This was in 1905, and in 1907 similar conditions brought about his removal to Taunton. Here he was first located in the Atlas Tack Company building, but in 1915 removed to the present modern and spacious factory at Spring Lane, which he later purchased, and where he is going forward steadily. Occupying the entire building of some 10,000 square feet of floor space, and employing about one hundred operatives, the product of this plant goes to all parts of the United States, Canada and England. In 1922 Mr. Collis added new lines to his business, taking up the manufacture of sporting shoes for athletic purposes and skating shoes, making of the last-named product a leading specialty. Mr. Collis has also invented something entirely new in a skating shoe, and known under the trademark as the "20th Century Weak Ankle Corset Skating Shoe." This will be a boon to ice skaters who have weak ankles, and will be sold universally in due time. The steady growth of the business has compelled him to expand constantly. He owns several other patents covering his own inventions, and is the sole owner of the business. This plant is the only one in this part of the country manufacturing corset ankle supports.

In the public life of the city, State and nation Mr. Collis takes an interest, but while supporting the Republican party in political affairs he has never sought nor desired public honors of an official nature. He is especially interested in all that pertains to the historic records of the nation and its people. Fraternally Mr. Collis is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and is a member of the higher bodies of this order up to and including the thirty-second degree. He is a member of the Winthrop Club of Taunton.

Mr. Collis married, in September, 1903, A. Jennie Walker, of Taunton, daughter of the late Benjamin and Elizabeth (Wright) Walker, both natives of Taunton. Mr. and Mrs. Collis have three children: Henry Walker, born in 1904; George Benjamin, born in 1911; and Charles Albert, born in 1915; the younger children now attending the Taunton schools.

**EDGAR L. CROSSMAN**—A long career of eminent usefulness, both in personal endeavor and in public service, is that of Edgar L. Crossman, who for many years was identified with the industrial world of Taunton, Massachusetts. He has served the people in various public offices, including the mayoralty of the city, to which honor he was elected fifteen years ago, and in which capacity he served for two years, having been the last mayor under the old charter.

Mr. Crossman is descended, on both paternal and maternal sides, from some of the early settlers of Massachusetts, who came at once to Bristol county, and since about 1650 have been identified continuously through the centuries with the progress of Taunton as village, town and city. Robert Crossman, Mr. Crossman's father, was born in Taunton, and was throughout his lifetime active as a tailor, passing away in the year 1893. The mother, Martha L. (Hall) Crossman, is still living, at the great age of ninety-four years.

Edgar L. Crossman was born in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, March 2, 1859. His education was gained in the local institutions, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1877. His first employment was in the public service, in the office of the water commissioner, in which connection he was active for one year, after which he entered the employ of the Taunton Locomotive Works. Continuing with this great concern for a full quarter of a century, Mr. Crossman was during the greater part of that time chief clerk! He then associated himself with the Taunton Oilcloth Company, in which connection he remained for three years, thereafter holding the position of office manager with the White & Warner Company, which he filled efficiently for a period of seven years. He then took up the duties of his present office as county treasurer.

During this long period of activity in the industries Mr. Crossman served at one time or another in various positions of public trust and responsibility, first being elected to the old Common Council. He was also at various times a member of the Board of Aldermen, representing first Ward One, and other service included membership in the Park Commission, also the office of registrar of voters. Thus it was with the spirit of the true servant of the people, and the practical experience of the long active public executive, that Mr. Crossman came to the duties of the mayoralty, to which he was elected in the year 1908, serving during that and the following year. As the last mayor under the old charter he found many exacting duties having to do with the change of régime, and his long and constructive familiarity with office practice, together with his thorough administrative ability, made him an outstanding figure in the annals of the municipality. Mr. Crossman's election to the office of county treasurer of Bristol county occurred in 1912, and his faithful and efficient handling of the important duties of this position has amply justified the people in having placed the trust in

his hands. Mr. Crossman is counted among the really significant men of the day, and is honored equally for his devotion to public duty and his estimable qualities as a man and a citizen. His more personal interests include membership in Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is past master, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is treasurer, the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and the Royal Arcanum. He is a prominent member of the Winthrop Club, and his choice of recreative interests taking him into the great out-door world, he is a well known figure at the Segregansett Country Club, of which he is a member, and a trustee of the Taunton Public Library. His religious connection is with the Unitarian church. He is deeply interested in all charitable and benevolent advance, and for many years has served as treasurer of the Bristol County Hospital.

Mr. Crossman married, in 1885, Sarah S. Babbitt, of Taunton, daughter of George H. and Seraphina (Sandford) Babbitt. Mrs. Crossman enjoys an honor and distinction which it would be rare indeed to find duplicated, in the fact that her father, her brother and her husband have all been mayors of their native city—Taunton. The Babbitt family, as well as Mr. Crossman's ancestral lines, Crossman and Hall, also dates back to about 1650 in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and the Sandford family has been in this country many years, having originated in Westmoreland, England. Mr. and Mrs. Crossman have one daughter, Ruth A. The family have long been members of the Old Colony Historical Society, and are deeply interested in the work of that organization in preserving the records of the past.

**CHARLES EDWARD BRADY**—Largely successful as an executive in the textile industry in Fall River, Massachusetts, Charles Edward Brady is representative of the spirit of progress which has inspired the pioneers in this field of endeavor, and has contributed toward the present eminence of this city as a center of that industry.

The Brady family for generations has been identified with mill activities, John Brady, Mr. Brady's grandfather, coming from Ireland to the United States with his parents as a child of seven years, and entering the mill industry in early life. He was one of the first Irish-Americans to settle in Fall River, and became very prominent in the affairs of the community before the days of the city government. He was a man of progressive spirit, who appreciated the importance in advance in every branch of community interest, and for some years served as a member of the school board, bearing a constructive part in the early development of the local educational system. John Brady, Jr., a son, and Mr. Brady's father, was born in Fall River in the year 1855, and has spent his entire career in the activities of the local cotton mills. He is still active as an overseer of the Parker Mill. He married Mary L. Cunneen, a

daughter of James E. Cunneen, who also was prominently connected with the development of the mill industry in Fall River. Mr. Cunneen built the Laurel Lake Mills, the Seaconnet Mills, and various other mill structures in Fall River. John Brady, Jr., and Mary L. (Cunneen) Brady were the parents of five children, two sons and three daughters.

Charles Edward Brady was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, February 7, 1887, and was the second in order of birth in this family of children. Following the public school course he attended the B. M. C. Durfee High School for two years, and then entering the mills covered the evening course of four years at the Durfee Textile School. Mr. Brady's first experience in the world of industry was in the carding department of the Wetamoe Mills, and he was active there for about ten years, rising to the position of second hand. He then went to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to learn cotton grading and classing, and spent the seasons of 1909 and 1910 in mastering the intricacies of that work. Returning to Fall River Mr. Brady entered the employ of the Nonquitt Mills in New Bedford, Massachusetts, acting in this connection as second hand. In December, 1913, Mr. Brady became identified with the Lincoln Manufacturing Company, a leading cotton manufacturing concern of Fall River, as overseer of the carding department, and this position he filled until September, 1916. He then resigned to accept the office of superintendent of the Foster Spinning Company's plant in Fall River and remained in that connection until April, 1918. Subsequently he returned to the Lincoln Mill, as superintendent, which position he still ably fills. He is further active as superintendent of the Parker Mills of Fall River since the reorganization of that concern, which took place early in the year 1922. Mr. Brady personally was given the responsibility of this physical reorganization, and the present efficiency of the plant is largely due to his breadth of experience and administrative ability. He has won an enviable position in his chosen field of activity and is numbered among the really significant citizens of Fall River. A Republican by political affiliation, he is a prominent member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and bears a part in all advance effort which concerns the civic or industrial welfare. He is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus, in which he holds the fourth degree, the Kiwanis Club, the Quequechan Club, and Fall River Yacht Club, and attends the Roman Catholic church.

Charles Edward Brady married in Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1915, Mary F. Gallagher, who until her marriage had for several years been a teacher in the local high schools. Mrs. Brady is a daughter of Patrick F. and Margaret E. (Rowan) Gallagher, esteemed residents of Somersworth, New Hampshire.

**JOHN HENRY SULLIVAN**—Standing among the successful professional men of Bristol county,

Massachusetts, John Henry Sullivan has won his way to a noteworthy position in his chosen field of the law, and with offices at No. 5 Main street, is handling a large and constantly extending practice. Mr. Sullivan is a native of the State of Massachusetts, and is a son of Daniel J. Sullivan, who was born at Dursey Island, County Cork, Ireland, and died in 1911. The father came to this country as a young man and was for many years active in business as a tailor in Taunton, Massachusetts. The mother, Ellen (Sullivan) Sullivan, was born at Bantry, County Cork, Ireland, and died in 1916, in Taunton, Massachusetts.

John Henry Sullivan was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, May 10, 1882. He is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1901, of which class he was president, and an orator at commencement. His classical education was received at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Massachusetts, where he was very active in athletics, being assistant manager of the football team in 1905. He was also orator of his class at Holy Cross College. Later taking an advanced course at Fordham University, he took up his professional studies at Boston University Law School and was graduated in the class of 1911, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar within the year, Mr. Sullivan began practice in Taunton, Massachusetts, opening offices in his present location at No. 5 Main street. He has won his way to a position of large prominence in his chosen field of endeavor and is counted among the broadly progressive and really noteworthy men of the profession in Bristol county. He has always felt a deep interest in military affairs, and during his school days was for four years a member of the Taunton High School cadets, the last two years of which he served as an officer. During the World War he served as an associate member of the Legal Advisory Board. Mr. Sullivan is prominent fraternally, being a life-member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he is also past exalted ruler; the Knights of Columbus; the Taunton Bar Association, and the Massachusetts Bar Association, of which he was secretary during 1913-14-15. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Sullivan married, in 1916, Emma L. McDonough, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of James and Mary McDonough.

**REGINALD P. DAKIN, D. D. S.**—In professional circles in Attleboro, Massachusetts, Dr. Dakin holds a widely prominent position, and his success in dental surgery has carried him to the highest rang in his chosen field of endeavor. He is a son of Edward J. and Lucy A. (Holsworth) Dakin, both of Digby, Nova Scotia. The father, who was a mechanic by occupation, died in the year 1894, but the mother survived him for many years, passing away in 1922.

Reginald P. Dakin was born at Skowhegan, Maine, March 27, 1876. His education was begun



in the local public schools and he was graduated from the Oakland High School in the class of 1893. Thereafter entering Westbrook Seminary, Portland, Maine, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1895, then took up his professional studies at Boston Dental College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1899 with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery. Entering upon the practice of his chosen profession at Winchester, Massachusetts, where he was active for two years, he was then persuaded to remove to Attleboro. His first location in this city was in the Bronson building, but after a time he removed to his present location at No. 30 South Main street, and is taking a leading position in this part of Bristol county. Thoroughly familiar with modern methods in dental surgery, Dr. Dakin has developed an extensive practice, and he is progressive in spirit and of large ability, which makes him an outstanding figure in the profession. A Republican by political affiliation, Dr. Dakin has served as a member of the school committee during a long period of time and has been secretary of the committee for fifteen years. During the World War he was chairman of the Dental Bureau, his territory covering both the Attleboros, and the efficient service which he rendered at that time brought to him from Dr. Proctor, who was in charge of the State Dental Bureau, a certificate in recognition of his services. Fraternally he is a member of Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Attleboro; and Lodge No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Attleboro. His clubs are the Highland Country and the International Lions. He religious affiliation is with the Universalist church.

**LEWIS A. HODGES**—For many years identified with the industrial progress of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, Lewis A. Hodges has for the past decade been prominent in the city government in the very responsible offices of city treasurer and collector. Gifted with those characteristics which command the esteem and goodwill of his associates and contemporaries, Mr. Hodges is eminently well fitted for his work, and his efforts are contributing largely to the progress and prosperity of the city. He is a son of Lewis B. Hodges, who was born at Norton, Massachusetts, and died in 1904. Lewis B. Hodges was a veteran of the Civil War, having served in Company G, 4th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, with the rank of sergeant. He was by trade a molder, spending his lifetime in the activities of the foundry. The mother, Elizabeth H. (Godfrey) Hodges, who was born at Norton, Massachusetts, now resides at No. 31 Prospect street.

Lewis A. Hodges was born at Providence, Rhode Island, October 9, 1864. His education was acquired in the public and high schools of Somerset, Fall River and Taunton, Massachusetts, where the family resided at different times, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in 1884. His first business experience was in Taunton, Massa-

chusetts, in the employ of the Reed & Barton Silver Works, in which connection he remained until January, 1913. Meanwhile, he was active in various branches of civic and welfare work and became a prominent figure in the affairs of the city government. Elected to the office of city treasurer, he took up the duties of this office in January, 1913, also acting as collector, and has handled the duties of these offices ably and efficiently. Mr. Hodges is a man of courteous bearing and genuine kindness which is good will toward all with whom he comes in contact, having its basis in a genuine spirit of brotherhood and this fact more than any other accounts for the innumerable friends whom he has won in Taunton and vicinity. His absolute devotion to duty and his capacity for detail makes his service broadly useful to the civic body, and he is counted among the really significant executives of the municipal government. He is a member of the Sons of Veterans and the Royal Arcanum, also of the Young Men's Christian Association. He is a member of the Baptist church.

Mr. Hodges married, in 1894, Florence S. Monroe, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Charles E. and Helen O. (Briggs) Monroe. Mr. and Mrs. Hodges are the parents of six children: Lewis Carlton, born in 1895, a graduate of the high school; Helen Monroe, born in 1896, a graduate of the high school; Kenneth Crawford, born in 1897, who attended Wentworth School for two years; Kathryn E., born in 1899, a graduate of the high school and the Normal School; Mirian G., born in 1902, a graduate of the high school; and Sheldon B., born in 1909.

**FRANK MOSSBERG**—In the present day of mechanical perfection in every branch of industrial advance the significance of any really noteworthy addition to the machinery and tools which go to make up the equipment of a modern plant is worthy of the highest praise, and such praise is due Frank Mossberg, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, through whose mechanical genius many useful devices and tools have found a place on the market and are now accepted as standard. Mr. Mossberg is one of the inventors of the present generation whose work has been specially constructive in character and has indeed revolutionized many phases of factory shop practice. He is a son of Nils Mossberg, who was born in Sweden, and spent his lifetime in agricultural pursuits in his native country until his death, which occurred in 1910. The mother, Sarah (Pearson) Mossberg, was born in Sweden and died in 1905.

Frank Mossberg was born in Sweden, November 8, 1858. His education was obtained in the schools of his native land, and following his preliminary and classical studies he entered the Chalmers Institute of Technology at Gothenburg, Sweden, where he prepared for a career in mechanics. Coming to the United States in 1882, Mr. Mossberg stayed for a time in New York City, then went to Woonsocket, Rhode Island, where he was employed as



a machinist for one year. Thereafter he was in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, going thence to Providence, where he was employed as draftsman in the plant of the Brown & Sharpe Company. Mr. Mossberg then became identified with the Granger Foundry & Machine Company of Providence, and during his connection with that corporation he became associated with ex-Governor Howard in the development and perfection of fog signals and various other devices, to be used in lighthouses and on board ships, and when this work was accomplished the patent was registered under Mr. Mossberg's name. Mr. Mossberg was made a citizen of the United States in 1886 and in 1889 he came to Attleboro, purchased a small machinery manufacturing plant, and carried the business forward independently under the title of the Mossberg Manufacturing Company. He developed this interest successfully, and through numerous patents and improvements on the machinery used in the jewelry trade did a great work in simplifying the manufacture of jewelry and speeding up plant production. Many of the modern machines now used in the jewelry trade are the product of his inventive genius, especially rolling-mill presses of many kinds and various other inventions which made revolutionary changes in this field of manufacture. In 1896 Mr. Mossberg removed his business to Providence, Rhode Island, and with associates continued under the name of the Mossberg & Granville Company, with headquarters in the Kent & Stanley building. In the year 1898 he withdrew from that firm and established himself under his own name, then in the following year returned to Attleboro. There his business was incorporated under the name of the Frank Mossberg Company, the principal products of his plant being bicycle wrenches and other patented tools, all of his own invention. Mr. Mossberg now ranks as the leading manufacturer of wrenches in the world. Their first location was on South Main street, at the corner of Mill street, and on that plot of ground they later erected a new building and eventually extended their operations to include the manufacture of practically all kinds of automobile tools and accessories. In 1909 the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce erected a fine building in Lamb street for the Frank Mossberg Company, and as president of that company Mr. Mossberg led the interest forward to a high degree of importance, then, in the year 1919, disposing of his stock in the concern, he withdrew, and in the fall of the same year organized the Mossberg Pressed Steel Corporation, of which he is president and general manager. This corporation manufactures pressed metal loom beam heads, spools, drop wires, carriers and bobbins for braiding machines, also a full line of spools, reels and appliances used in the manufacture of wire, a new departure in textile production, superseding the old method of cast iron and wood. Mr. Mossberg was the inventor of this idea of applying wrought steel to such uses. It is interesting to note in connection with Mr. Mossberg's success that

every branch of his effort is founded on the policy expressed in the motto: "To Deserve Your Business." Mr. Mossberg is a director of the Standard Machinery Company and a director of the American Shell and Tube Company, both of Providence, Rhode Island, and is interested further in the business world as president of the Captain John Ericson Memorial Society of Engineers of New York, of which he had been vice-president for a number of years prior to his election to the presidency in 1922. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Engineers Club of New York, the Swedish Engineers Club of New York, the Swedish Engineers Club of Chicago, West Side Club of Attleboro, Boston Dining Club, and the Lions Club of Attleboro. Mr. Mossberg is also a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce. He is considered one of the most noteworthy of New England inventors, and has been granted over one hundred American patents and more than thirty-five patents in foreign countries. He now has more than thirty patents pending, and it is considered in Attleboro that Mr. Mossberg is inseparably connected with the growth and development of Bristol county and with the general advance in the world of mechanics. Mr. Mossberg was president of the Chamber of Commerce for two years, and during his term was instrumental in securing the adoption of a city charter by Attleboro. During the years 1900-1903 Mr. Mossberg aided in the development of the automobile industry by building several cars, one of them an electric car, the first practical car in Massachusetts to run twenty miles an hour over the roads, or to run sixty miles on a single battery charge. He also built several gasoline cars during that period. Mr. Mossberg considers the roller bearing patent which he secured about 1893 the most important of all his inventions. It is largely used by the United States Government on gun carriages. These bearings are also used on locks at the Panama Canal.

In politics Mr. Mossberg has long been a supporter of the Republican party, but with progressive tendencies that carried him ardently into the Roosevelt campaign in 1912. He has served for some years as a member of the Municipal Council, and before the city charter came into effect was chairman of the Republican Town Committee. During the World War he was identified with securing equipment and munitions through manufacturers in various parts of this country, and his activities were divided between Attleboro, New York and Washington. Fraternally he is a member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, of Boston. He is a member of Lodge No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the West Side, Highland Country, Wannamoisett

and Boston clubs, being known in the last-named club as the incarnation of Socrates. He is also a charter member of the Lions Club of Attleboro. His religious affiliation is with the Swedish Lutheran church.

Mr. Mossberg married, April 10, 1886, Jennie D. Polsey of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, daughter of J. N. Posley, her father a manufacturer. Mr. and Mrs. Mossberg are the parents of one child: Florence M., now the wife of Chester A. Vander Pyle, treasurer of the Mossberg Pressed Steel Corporation.

**E. ELLSWORTH LINCOLN**—In the manufacture of paper Mr. Lincoln has spent his entire career and has been identified with only one concern, the long established firm of L. Lincoln & Company at North Dighton, Massachusetts. Thus his activities could be summed up in a few words, yet the perseverance, patience, and tireless industry which have carried him to his present position as one of the heads of this concern have been a matter of large significance not only in his own life and in the prosperity of the organization, but as an example to the young men of the city in faithful service and well deserved success. Mr. Lincoln is a son of Edward Lincoln, who was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and died in 1912, after having also spent his lifetime in the manufacture of paper. The mother, Ann (Coddington) Lincoln, who was also born in Dighton, died May 18, 1923, at the age of eighty-two years.

E. Ellsworth Lincoln was born at Dighton, Massachusetts, July 21, 1861. His education was acquired in the local public schools and upon the completion of his studies he entered the offices of the firm with which he has been connected continuously since. This firm, which has during the greater part of its existence been known as L. Lincoln & Company, was founded in the year 1850 by C. M. and L. Lincoln, brothers, and upon the death of C. M. Lincoln, which occurred only about two years after its establishment, the present title was adopted, that of L. Lincoln & Company. The business has grown and developed through the years and from time to time other members of the family have assumed the management, E. Ellsworth Lincoln becoming identified with the organization in the late seventies. Mr. Lincoln learned the various phases of paper manufacture through the practical method of experience in each department and eventually filled a position of executive responsibility, taking over the concern in association with Nathaniel Lincoln upon the death of their father in 1912. The business is a co-partnership and they manufacture paper of all grades and qualities. The plant consists of a large main building and several smaller buildings used for storage, the aggregate floor space being about 25,000 square feet. Employing thirty people, they send their products to all parts of the United States. This is one of the oldest paper mills in this part of New England, and has long upheld an enviable reputation for quality

and product and business integrity. Mr. Lincoln is further interested in the commercial life of Bristol county as a director of the North Dighton Cooperative Bank.

Mr. Lincoln married, in 1887, Bridget Maher, and they have one son, E. Ellsworth, Jr., born May 22, 1890.

**FRANK E. SMITH**—Professionally active as an attorney and counselor-at-law, well known in fraternal circles and a veteran of the World War, Frank E. Smith, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is a noteworthy figure in the younger group of lawyers of Bristol county. Trained in the institutions of his native State, and a life-long resident of Taunton, his interests center here, and he is winning success among the people who have known him from his boyhood. Mr. Smith is a son of Thomas E. and Catherine E. (Heflin) Smith, both of Taunton, the father a stationary engineer by occupation and a progressive and highly esteemed citizen.

Frank E. Smith was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, January 12, 1892. He was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1910, and later entering Boston University School of Law, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1913, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar of his native State within the same year, Mr. Smith began practice in the city of his birth and for five years went forward under his own name. He then became associated with Harold T. Hathaway, which association continued from 1919, after his return from military duty, until August, 1922, when it was dissolved. He has since practiced independently, with offices in the Taylor building, in Taunton, and is winning his way to large success. During the World War Mr. Smith was assigned to duty with the Detached Infantry Corps at Camp Lee, Virginia. His fraternal affiliations are with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the American Legion, of Taunton, of which he is commander; and the Boston University Alumni Association. His religious affiliation is with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

**EDMOND P. TALBOT**—Election to office is not always evidence of fitness or popularity, nor is defeat evidence that a man does not possess the necessary qualities to fit him for the office he seeks. But election at the hands of those politically opposed may safely be accepted as evidence of popularity and fitness relevant, competent and convincing. Three times Edmond T. Talbot submitted his claims to be chosen mayor of Fall River, Massachusetts, to be passed on at the polls, and three times the verdict was against him—as was to be expected, for he was the candidate of the Democratic party asking for election to the chief magistracy of a Republican city. Another attempt won the favor of the voters and he is now occupying the mayor's chair in one of the great cities of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, and in some respects, the greatest. As a business man he has



Edmond P. Talbot





also a record of victories won and position attained, being a registered pharmacist and the owner of a prosperous drug business.

Mayor Talbot is of French-English blood, born in Canada, his father born in the city of Quebec, as was his grandfather. He is a son of Charles and Celina (Vidal) Talbot, his father leaving Canada when a young unmarried man, settling at Haverstraw, New York. He did not long remain, but returned to Canada and married, although subsequently he came again to the United States and located at East Kingston, New York. In 1895 he came to Fall River, Massachusetts, and there for many years he has been engaged in the bakery business.

Edmond P. Talbot was born in Tingwick, Canada, April 21, 1884. He was educated in St. Mary's Parochial School at Rondout, New York, Notre Dame College, New York, and St. Anne's Commercial College, Fall River, Massachusetts. His first position was with the Davol Cotton Mills, as a weaver, but later he was employed on Sundays, holidays and evenings in the drug store owned and conducted by A. S. Letourneau. There he also studied pharmacy with such assiduity and purpose that in 1904 he passed the State examining board for Rhode Island and was registered a pharmacist in that State. In 1905 he appeared before the examining board in pharmacy for Massachusetts, successfully passed their tests, and received a Massachusetts registry as a competent pharmacist, receiving an authority to follow his profession. In 1906 he purchased the established family drug store on Lindsey street, Fall River, a store in which he had been employed as prescription clerk for a short time. From that time until the present, 1923, he has been continually in the drug business at Fall River, has prospered, and now owns his own store at No. 34 East Main street, corner of Hamlet street. He is a thoroughly capable and well informed pharmacist, also an excellent business man.

From youthful manhood Mr. Talbot has taken an active part in politics, his own party preference being Democratic. In 1907, at the age of twenty-three, he was appointed park commissioner, and for nine years he efficiently filled that office. In 1914, while still serving as park commissioner, he was elected from a Fall River district to the Massachusetts House of Representatives, an office he filled for one term. He was four times the candidate of the Democratic party for mayor of Fall River, and on December 5, 1922, he was elected to that high office, being inaugurated January 2, 1923, being now in the first months of his term. He has made a good impression during these few months, and has maintained his reputation for saying the things he feels must be said and saying them well, for he is reputed eloquent of speech and one of the city's silver-tongued orators. His popularity is more than a passing fancy and will endure, for it is based on good citizenship, public spirit, and a sincere regard for his fellowmen and their wel-

fare. As mayor, he is also chairman of the Reservoir Commission, and of the Board of Overseers of the Poor.

Mayor Talbot is a member of Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Fall River Council, Knights of Columbus; the League Des Patriots; The Union of St. Jean de Baptiste of America; Catholic Order of Foresters; Franco-American Order of Foresters; Fall River Chamber of Commerce; King Philip's Boat Club; honorary member of the Fall River Yacht Club; and a communicant of the Roman Catholic church.

Mayor Talbot married, September 11, 1905, Alma M. L. Beaupre, of Fall River, but born in Crookston, Minneapolis, her parents moving to Fall River about 1893. Ten children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Talbot; Roland E.; Henrietta L.; Anita F.; Germaine A.; Maria Alma, deceased; Marie Madelaine; Edmond P. (2); Loretta M. L.; and Philip and Arthur, twins, deceased.

Mayor Talbot has fairly won the honors he bears, and is giving the people who have passed him to municipal prominence the best that is in him in the matter of good government, well administered. He is not a novice in civic government, but has had wide experience in governing, and brings to his task zeal, tempered with knowledge.

**JAMES P. WHITTERS**—Successful in a line of manufacturing endeavor which has given to the world a broadly useful product, James P. Whitters has the distinction of being the originator of his own business, having developed a large and prosperous interest in the manufacture of a widely used antiseptic. A native of the State of Rhode Island and familiar with the drug business from his youth, Mr. Whitters brought to bear upon his daily activities the force of a constructive and ingenious mind, and the result was the product which has since become universally known as "Alkalol." Mr. Whitters is a son of Edward Whitters, who was born in County Enniskillen, Ireland, and is now deceased. Edward Whitters was a harness-maker by trade and a veteran of the Civil War, having come to the United States in his youth. He enlisted in Company F, 39th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. The remainder of his life was spent in the States of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and he was esteemed by all who knew him. He married Martha Maxwell, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, who died in 1922.

James P. Whitters was born at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, October 11, 1866. His education was obtained in the public schools of this city, where he gained a practical grounding in the fundamentals of learning. Following the completion of his studies, he entered the employ of a leading druggist of Taunton and was active in this connection until 1895, when he established his own interest. Founding his success upon his experience in the drug business, the young man devised a secret formula for an antiseptic, which was broadly efficacious in the cleansing and healing of wounds. This he named

"Alkalol," and it was soon recognized by the medical profession as a product of great and permanent value. Many of the leading physicians of the day adopted this product, and through their recommendation it was made a part of the standard of equipment of hospitals and other institutions not only in the United States, but in all parts of the civilized world. It is considered indispensable wherever it is used and the demand for it has grown so great that Mr. Whitters now stands at the head of a very prosperous and lucrative business. His plant consists of three floors, aggregating about 12,000 square feet of space, and he employs about twenty-five hands. The business was incorporated in 1907, Merle T. Barker becoming president, and Mr. Whitters, treasurer and general manager. Taking a deep interest in all that pertains to the general welfare, Mr. Whitters served as a member of the District Draft Board during the World War. He is a member and past president of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Manufacturers' Association of Taunton, and fraternally is a charter member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His clubs are the Rotary Club, the Winthrop Club, the Boys' Club, of which he is president; the Segreganissett Country Club, the Pomham Club of Rhode Island, the Seapuit Club, and the Bristol Club, of which he is president. He is further a member of the Social League and the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Whitters married, in 1912, Florence M. Walters, of Syracuse, New York, daughter of Hugh M. and Sarah Walters. Mr. and Mrs. Whitters are the parents of two children: Amarie, born in 1913; and James P., Jr., born in 1917.

**JOHN J. NICHOLS**—For many years the name of John J. Nichols has stood for constructive effort along various lines of commercial and industrial endeavor in New England, with interests centering in Taunton, Massachusetts. With large executive ability and the genius which takes hold of the enterprise cast in his way by the accident of circumstance and makes of it a matter of large importance, Mr. Nichols has long taken rank with the leaders of progress. He is a son of John J. Nichols, who was born in England and came to the United States as a young man, settling in Taunton. He was for many years a contractor in sand and gravel in Taunton, also doing teaming, and all his operations were on a very extensive scale. He died in 1902. The mother, Mary M. (Corr) Nichols, was born in Ireland, and also died in 1902. Their sons, John J., and Charles J., are now widely prominent men of Taunton, and the third generation is taking a useful part in the life of the city.

John J. Nichols was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, June 21, 1863. His education was acquired in the local public schools, and his first experience in the world of men and affairs was in the meat business, in the employ of William H. Alger. After

four years of experience in this connection Mr. Nichols went into business for himself in the same field, peddling from a wagon for twelve years. During this period he became more or less widely familiar with other lines of business activity, and his next venture was in the buying and selling of horses and carriages. His success in the meat business had placed ample capital in his hands, and he went into the new enterprise on a very extensive scale. He was the first to ship a car load of horses by express into Taunton, and he would average the greater part of the time three carloads per week. Occasionally a carload of cattle would be sent to him for disposal, and from the early years of this activity he would have stock shipped to various points, going here and there to sell these consignments at auction. He followed this general line for more than thirty years, and in the course of that period traveled all over the New England States as an auctioneer. For this purpose Mr. Nichols owned a specially-built conveyance after a type similar to a circus wagon, which he named the "Band Wagon," and there is scarcely a hamlet or village in New England which was not visited by him in this vehicle. The fame of the "Band Wagon" spread all about in various States and Mr. Nichols recalls many pleasant reminiscences of those days.

For the past few years Mr. Nichols has been associated with the H. O. Rogers Silver Company, of Taunton, as treasurer and general manager. This company was originally known as the Cohannet Silver Company, but was reorganized with the present title in the year 1911, then incorporated about two years later. The company manufactures silver-plated hollow-ware, and in this special line is counted as one of the leaders in the United States. With about 100,000 square feet of floor space, they employ about 350 people, and their product is shipped from coast to coast, also being exported to Canada and Cuba. They are at present (1923) carrying forward many improvements, materially enlarging the plant and increasing its capacity, and these improvements, shortly to be completed, will give the plant a maximum of forty plating tubs. They now melt about fifteen tons of metal weekly, and with their own carpenter and machine shop, are dependent on the outside world only for their raw material. The growth and development of the organization and its activities has attracted wide attention since Mr. Nichols took over its management. Mr. Nichols is also engaged very extensively in the real estate business in Taunton, buying, selling and also building. In 1923 he erected a music hall, located, on Broadway, 100 x 135 feet, the largest of its kind in the city. He also owns the Nichols block on Postoffice square, occupied by the Perry Auto Company and other tenants, and also other valuable real estate. With few interests outside his business, Mr. Nichols turns to outdoor recreations in his leisure hours, and for many years was president of the Wampanoag Cycle Club. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception.



Mr. Nichols married, in 1890, Sarah A. Falvey, of Taunton, who died in 1920. She was a daughter of Thomas O. and Anna T. (King) Falvey. Five children were born to this union, of whom only two grew to maturity: Albert J., a sketch of whom follows; and John J., Jr., now a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

**ALBERT J. NICHOLS**—One of the foremost young men of the day in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Albert J. Nichols, president of the H. O. Rogers Silver Company, of Taunton, one of the leading concerns of the United States in the manufacture of silver-plated hollow-ware. Mr. Nichols has been identified with this enterprise since the completion of his education, and his progress has been steadily forward and upward, with the interruption of the World War, it is true, but in that connection he distinguished himself in the radio service, leaving the permanent mark of his genius. Mr. Nichols is a son of John J. and Sarah A. (Falvey) Nichols (see preceding sketch).

Albert J. Nichols was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, July 22, 1893. His education was begun in the local public schools, and after completing the usual course he attended La Salle Academy, at Providence, Rhode Island. Upon the completion of his studies the young man identified himself with his father in the plant of the H. O. Rogers Silver Company, of which John J. Nichols had then recently become the head. For the purpose of gaining a thorough knowledge of the business Mr. Nichols served through the various departments of production, rising in the usual course to the positions of foreman and eventually superintendent. In 1918 Mr. Nichols was elected to the office of president of the organization, of which his father is the principal owner, the older man desiring to turn over into other hands the responsibilities of this office. John J. Nichols is still manager.

In another field also Albert J. Nichols has won renown. During the World War he enlisted in the United States Navy, and was assigned to duty at Newport, Rhode Island. He was later transferred to the Boston Navy Yard, and thence was sent to Harvard University as an instructor in radio. In this connection he won a world-wide reputation as the inventor of the system known as the Nick Radio System, which is universally used at the present time. Mr. Nichols made the drawings and plans for the Great Lakes District, and his work in this field was broadly constructive and of permanent significance. He was discharged from the service with the rank of chief electrician. Externally Mr. Nichols is identified with the Knights of Columbus, and he is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Albert J. Nichols married, in 1919, Alice Katherine O'Brien, of Somerville, New Jersey, daughter of James and Ellen O'Brien, and they have one daughter: Mary Margaret, born December 30, 1922. Two children died in infancy.

### ELLSWORTH AVERY HATHAWAY, LL.B.

—In legal circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Ellsworth Avery Hathaway is gaining an assured footing, although he has taken up the practice of his profession only since the recent World War. Trained in the institutions of his native State and endowed with marked ability, he is considered one of the promising young men of the profession in Taunton, Massachusetts, and his progress is being watched with interest by his many friends who are confident of his success. He is a son of Roy E. and Bertha E. (Thompson) Hathaway, who both trace their ancestry back to the landing of the Pilgrims. His father is actively engaged in the industrial world of Taunton as foreman of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company of Taunton.

Ellsworth Avery Hathaway was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 6, 1898. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1917. Then entering Boston University Law School, he was graduated in the class of 1920, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Meanwhile, during the period of the World War, he served as a member of the Student Army Training Corps. Admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts in 1920, Mr. Hathaway began his professional career as a member of the well known law firm of Hathaway & Hathaway, with offices in the Rand building, at No. 1 Broadway. Although his start was made at a comparatively recent date, Mr. Hathaway has thus far given every evidence of the ability and energy which will carry him to large success. He has few interests which do not align with his profession, and is a member of the Boston University Law School Alumni Association, the Taunton High School Alumni Association, the American Legion, and the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious affiliation is with the Winslow Congregational Church of Taunton, and he is an active and popular member in the social organizations of the church. He is a member of the Bristol Club, and Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Taunton.

**ALLEN E. PADELFORD**—Standing at the head of an enterprise of which he is the founder, the Taunton Planing Mill Company, Inc., Allen E. Padelford, a man of progressive spirit and energy, is one of Taunton's successful business men. He is a son of Samuel C. Padelford, of Taunton, who died in the year 1920, and Julia F. (Adams) Padelford, born at Easton, Massachusetts, who died in 1921.

Allen E. Padelford was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, February 23, 1867. His early education was received in the public schools of the city, and at Bristol Academy. His first business experience was in the offices of the White Warner Company, where he remained for about three years, after which he served an apprenticeship in the wood-working factory of Booth & Luther. He was later with the Huber-Hodgeman Company for a number

of years, until the year 1905, when he founded his present business, the manufacture of builders' finish of every kind. The plant, now comprising about 6,000 square feet of floor space, is modernly equipped and gives employment to about fifteen men, the product of the plant being distributed principally within a radius of about one hundred miles. Mr. Padelford has been treasurer and general manager of the company since its incorporation and has few interests outside of his business. He is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and is affiliated with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons. He is a member of the Universalist church.

Mr. Padelford married, in the year 1893, Hattie W. Woodward, who was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Alfred W. and Harriet A. (Hall) Woodward, of that city.

**ALBERT S. ELDRIDGE**, of John H. Eldridge & Company, is one of the most prominent in insurance circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and handles a general line of insurance, with headquarters in the city of Taunton. Mr. Eldridge is doing a large business, gaining large success, and at the same time contributing in a marked degree to the economic security of the people. Mr. Eldridge is a native of Taunton, and a son of Eli H. Eldridge, who was also born in this city and became one of the prominent manufacturers of Bristol county. Eli H. Eldridge founded the interest, of which he was for many years the head, in 1849, and became widely noted in the manufacture of casket hardware. He developed the business from its infancy to an enterprise of wide importance, and continued at its head until his death. He married Lydia A. Thrasher, who was also born at Taunton, Massachusetts.

Albert S. Eldridge was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 16, 1856. His education was received in the public schools of the city, and upon the completion of his studies, he became associated with his father in the business above mentioned, manufacturing casket hardware. Continuing with his father through the years, Mr. Eldridge gradually took over larger responsibilities and held an important executive position in the organization until the interest was swept away by fire in 1907. The plant was located on Eldridge street, and for many years had been a concern of importance in its special field, employing thirty-five hands. After the death of his brother, John H. Eldridge, he took up the insurance business under the name of John H. Eldridge & Company, and with spacious offices in the Crocker building, this interest is one of the best known in the insurance world in Bristol county. Mr. Eldridge has attained an enviable position in his chosen field of activity, and his reputation for sincerity and upright dealing places his name among the foremost executives of this section. He does a general insurance business, representing the old line companies and handling the various forms of protection which meet the complexities of modern existence. In the public

life of the city, the commonwealth and the nation, Mr. Eldridge takes a deep interest, but has never accepted nor desired public honors. Fraternally he is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence; Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

Mr. Eldridge married, in 1879, Mary H. Watson, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of William and Mary Watson. Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge are the parents of two children: Ralph F., and Harold W.

**CHARLES GODFREY WASHBURN**—The legal profession is represented in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, by a progressive and forward-looking group of men whose activities are doing much for the general progress, and in this group Charles Godfrey Washburn is prominent. He is a son of George A. and Ellen S. (Reed) Washburn, both deceased. George A. Washburn was for many years treasurer of the city of Taunton, and was later president of the Taunton National Bank.

Charles Godfrey Washburn was born at Taunton, September 15, 1874. His early education was acquired in the local public schools and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1893. Choosing the law as his field of professional effort, he entered the Boston University School of Law and was graduated in the class of 1896, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar of his native State in September of the same year, Mr. Washburn took up the practice of his chosen profession in his native city of Taunton, going forward under his own name until the year 1919. He then became a member of the law firm of Hall, Hall & Washburn, with offices located in the Crocker building. They comprise one of the leading law firms of Bristol county. Mr. Washburn is a member of the Bristol County Bar Association, also the Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is a member of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and he is a member of the Bristol Club. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Washburn married, in 1902, Helen C. Shal-ling, of Taunton, Massachusetts. They are the parents of one child: Carolyn, born in 1906, a graduate of the high school, class of 1923.

**GEORGE H. ROBINSON**—For many years identified with the business life of Taunton, Massachusetts, George H. Robinson is one of the prominent executives of this city, holding the offices of vice-president and secretary of the Sanders Lumber Company. He became a member of this concern upon its incorporation in 1915 and has been an active factor in its progress since. An able and practical executive, broadly familiar with the conditions which govern the lumber market, Mr. Robinson is contributing in a marked degree to the growth and prosperity of the concern. He is a son of John D. Robinson, who was born at Woods







*Nathaniel S. Chase.*

Hole, Massachusetts, and has for some years been retired from active business. The mother, Emily (Wood) Robinson, was born in England, and died in 1878, when the subject of this sketch was a small child.

George H. Robinson was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, September 23, 1876. His education was acquired in the local public schools, and following its completion he learned the trade of pattern-maker. His first business experience was with the Huber-Hodgeman Printing Company, with which he was eventually identified for a period of twenty years, the greater part of this time acting as foreman. He then formed his present affiliation with the Sanders Lumber Company and has won a prominent place in the business world of Taunton. This concern was founded many years ago by a Mr. Newcomb, and the present head of the organization, Clinton V. Sanders, entered the employ of the founder upwards of forty years ago. The death of Mr. Newcomb occurred shortly afterwards, and Mr. Sanders took over the business, receiving a Mr. Buffington as a partner. The firm of Sanders & Buffington endured for twelve years, then as C. V. Sanders & Company the organization went forward until 1915, when the present corporation was formed. Under the name of the Sanders Lumber Company, Inc., the business is now located at No. 68 Weir street, and they do an extensive business in the buying and selling of lumber, sash-doors, blinds and hardware. They have about 150,000 square feet of floor space, and with a double track railway siding of 600 feet, they are able to handle their business to the greatest advantage. They employ about twenty hands and are considered leaders in their field in Bristol county. As an officer of this concern, Mr. Robinson holds a seat in the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and is also a member of the Manufacturers' Association of Taunton. He has taken little active part in the public life of the city, although for a time he served as chairman of the License Board. As a young man he served in the war with Spain as a member of Battery F, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. Fraternally he is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Boston; also the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and he is a Spanish War veteran. He is a member of the Rotary Club. His religious affiliation is with Winslow Congregational Church.

Mr. Robinson married, in 1899, Jane M. Dalzell, a native of Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are the parents of one child: Sheldon D., born in 1902, a graduate of the high school and the Boston University Business College.

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**NATHANIEL STILLWELL CHASE**—Standing back of the construction activities of Fall River,

Massachusetts, as mill engineer and architect, Nathaniel Stillwell Chase holds a broadly significant position in the public economy, and through his practical ability and broad familiarity with his professional field he is taking a permanently useful place in the local advance. Mr. Chase is a member of an old New England family, in direct line and through his maternal line also is connected with prominent men for generations affiliated with the advance of this part of the country. He is a son of George Franklin Chase, who was born at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, in the year 1852, and died in 1922, having spent his entire career in the employ of the Old Colony railroad, during the greater part of the time as conductor. The mother, Etta (Stillwell) Chase, was born at Fall River and died in the year 1907.

Nathaniel Stillwell Chase was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, May 21, 1887. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following his intermediate studies he took up the high school course, from which he was graduated in the class of 1905. Mr. Chase entered the business world as an employee of William T. Henry, where he was active as draftsman until 1917. At that time he became identified with the American Printing Company, as superintendent of construction under George P. Gilmore, plant engineer. Active thus for only a short time, Mr. Chase then returned to Mr. Henry's office as chief draftsman, and remained with him until January 1, 1919, when he succeeded to this business. When Mr. Chase took over the interest the enterprise employed only two draftsmen, but he has developed it so extensively that he is now considered one of the most successful men in his field in New England, and he executes important commissions for many industrial concerns of this section. He now employs eight or ten draftsmen constantly and has recently moved into the new building at No. 167 Bedford street, where he occupies the entire space of the two floors. In addition to Mr. Chase's activities as draftsman he handles general construction work of all kinds, specializing in the designing and construction of textile mills and other large industrial plants. He has also designed and erected a considerable number of public buildings, and the new Junior High School, of Fall River, a building costing \$600,000, is now being completed under his supervision. Mr. Chase is a member of the Engineers Club of Boston, the Providence Engineers Society, and the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally holds the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, holding membership in both the York and Scottish Rite bodies, also being a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Chase's religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Chase married, in 1922, at New Rochelle, New York, Martha Jackson, daughter of John and Margaret (Erskine) Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. Chase are the parents of one daughter: Jane Erskine, born February 14, 1923.

**ANDREW BELCHER FLAGG** is a leading figure in the manufacture of sterling silver and silver plated ware in North Attleboro, Massachusetts. He comes of a very old family of Rhode Island and his grandfather, Andrew M. Belcher, was one of the most prominent men of his time in Cumberland, Rhode Island, master of the Rhode Island State Grange for a number of years, and prominent throughout the United States in grange work. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted in the Twelfth Regiment, Rhode Island Volunteer Infantry, serving throughout the period of the war. He was also prominent in civic affairs and for a number of years a member of the Cumberland Town Council. Walter H. Flagg, Mr. Flagg's father, was born in Cumberland, Rhode Island, and is a manufacturing jeweler by occupation, prominent in this field for many years and still active. The mother, Maria J. (Belcher) Flagg, died in 1922.

Andrew Belcher Flagg was born in Cumberland, Rhode Island, September 11, 1884. His education was received in the public and high schools of his birthplace and North Attleboro, and he was graduated from the local high school in the class of 1904. His first business experience was in the employ of R. Blackinton & Company, manufacturing jewelers of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, where he learned the trade of jeweler and was active with this concern for three years. He was then associated with Riley & French, and as salesman for A. L. Lindroth Company, and for five years covered a very extensive territory in the West. In the year 1913 Mr. Flagg entered the same line of business as a manufacturer, founding the Merit Manufacturing Company of Attleboro, with William F. Mowry as a partner. This concern manufactured a comprehensive line of inexpensive jewelry, and within two years from the time it started employed over one hundred people. Mr. Flagg was active in this connection until 1918, when the Merit Manufacturing Company purchased the Codding & Heilbron interests in North Attleboro. Increasing orders for war material made this step advisable, and in July 1918, the firm name was changed to Flagg & Mowry. Airplane parts, torpedo parts, electrical appliances, and almost a million shipbuilders' badges were included in their orders up to the time of the signing of the armistice. Since that time they have returned to the manufacture of sterling silver and silver plated ware, and in 1921, Mr. Flagg bought out the interest of Mr. Mowry, now being sole owner of the business. The plant is located on Jay street in the Webster building, occupying one floor of about 5,000 square feet of space, and employing thirty to sixty people. Their products are distributed to all parts of the United States. Although established in Attleboro the plant has been located in North Attleboro for the past five years. Mr. Flagg is a Republican by political preferment, although interested in public life only as a progressive citizen and manufacturer. He is affiliated with the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, the North Attleboro Board of Trade, and the Highland Country Club of Attleboro.

Mr. Flagg married, October 16, 1918, Marion L. Sykes of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of George H. and Adele Sykes, her father a manufacturing jeweler of Attleboro.

**HAROLD K. RICHARDSON** is a leading figure of the oldest insurance concern in this city, formerly known as O. P. Richardson & Sons, but more recently as H. K. & O. P. Richardson. Mr. Richardson has for the past twelve years been identified with this interest and since the death of his father has been the senior member of the firm.

Orville P. Richardson, Mr. Richardson's father, was, for many years the head of this firm, and it was due to his breadth of vision that the business was expanded to its present great importance, his energy carrying into effect wide-reaching plans which a less courageous man might have feared to venture upon. Orville P. Richardson was born at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, June 5, 1851. Receiving his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, he later became a graduate of the Attleboro High School, his family removing to this city during his boyhood. As a young man he became interested in the insurance business in which his uncle, H. N. Richardson, was engaged and for a time he was affiliated with his uncle in this field of endeavor. In 1878 he took over the uncle's interest; this business was founded by the uncle in 1869. For a short time this concern had been carried forward by H. N. Richardson, in partnership with a Mr. Ingraham, then later, for a time, it was carried forward under the name of Daggett & Richardson, this form obtaining until Orville P. Richardson absorbed the interest. As the sole owner of this business, Mr. Richardson went forward to large success and continued as an independent insurance agent and broker until the year 1911, when he received his sons into partnership, but he was active in the affairs of the company until his death, which occurred in 1920. Orville P. Richardson was a man of large prominence in the community. He served for several years as second lieutenant in the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and in all branches of civic and commercial advance he took a deep interest. He was for years a trustee of the Richardson school fund and a leader in every movement which counted for civic progress or for the general welfare. Widely known socially, he held membership in all the leading clubs of Attleboro, and his genial spirit and benevolent attitude toward all made him a widely beloved and universally esteemed citizen. He married, in December, 1877, Bertha K. Smith, who was born in Attleboro, Massachusetts, and their children number four: Myra Louise, wife of H. S. Wilmarth; Harold K., of further mention; Orville P.; and Carlton S.

Harold K. Richardson was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, January 3, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools and he was graduated from the Attleboro High School in the class of 1902. Following the completion of his education,



Mr. Richardson associated himself with his father in the insurance business above mentioned. In the year 1911 he became a member of the firm, and his brother also being received into the firm at the time, the title became O. P. Richardson & Sons. Harold K. Richardson has since taken a leading executive part in the advance of the organization and since the death of his father has stood at the head. A pioneer concern in the city, the Richardson firm was the first in the country to typewrite insurance policies, and this one instance of leadership is only a single example of their continual attitude toward advanced customs and practices. The Richardson brothers are among the foremost in insurance advance today.

Harold K. Richardson's further affiliations in the business world include his treasurership in the Bates Block Association, directorship in the Attleborough Savings and Loan Association, the Attleborough Savings Bank, and the Young Men's Christian Association. He is a trustee of the Richardson School Fund and treasurer of the Bates Theater Corporation. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Richardson has served for a number of years as a member of the school committee. During the World War he was active in liberty loans and Red Cross endeavors, and at all times he gives his aid and influence to every worthy movement. Fraternally, Mr. Richardson is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member also of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and Pokonoket Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men. His clubs are the West Side and Highland Country, and he attends the Congregational church.

Mr. Richardson married, in June, 1908, Alice May Easterbrook, of Rehoboth, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of four children: Roger King, born August 14, 1909; Marian L., born April 18, 1913; Nancy A., born August 30, 1916; and Jean E., born August 6, 1922.

**FREDERICK J. SMITH**—Counted among the successful professional men of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Frederick J. Smith, of Taunton, is broadly representative of the progressive and enterprising citizen who shares his best with the city, the commonwealth and the nation, forgetting his own interests in the greater need whenever the voice of the people calls. Mr. Smith is a son of Angelo Smith, who was born in Boston, Massachusetts, and was a pharmacist by profession, a man of brilliant mental capacity and progressive spirit. Angelo Smith was a veteran of the Civil War, having served in Company E, 4th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. His death occurred in 1907. The mother, Margaret (Cavanaugh) Smith, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and is still living, active in the benevolent and charitable pro-

gress of her native city as trustee of the Taunton State Hospital.

Frederick J. Smith was born in Taunton, October 17, 1885. His early education was received in the local public schools, and he later attended Phillips-Exeter Academy. After three years of activity as engineer on railway construction, he prepared for his professional career at Boston University Law School. Admitted to the bar of his native State on February 21, 1913, he began the practice of his chosen profession in Taunton. He was admitted to the United States District Court on March 24, 1914, and in January, 1923, was admitted to the United States Supreme Court. With offices in the Taylor building, Mr. Smith has developed a very extensive practice, has specialized in corporation and control law, and as an able and successful lawyer holds a leading position in professional circles in Taunton today. He has been the secretary of the Taunton Bar Association for several years. He is interested also in the business world as a director and the secretary of the Commercial Air-Craft Corporation. In the public life of the city Mr. Smith has been called to positions of responsibility in recent years, and as a loyal supporter of the Republican party is contributing to the general progress. He served as a member of the Taunton Common Council in 1920, and since 1919 has been a member of the Republican City Committee. In 1920 and again in 1921 he acted as delegate to the Republican State Conventions of those years. During the World War Mr. Smith acted as Government Appeal Agent, and was a member and secretary of the Legal Advisory Board for the city of Taunton. A great deal of his time was devoted to his efforts as a "four-minute" speaker. A natural orator, forceful and convincing, he did much for the activities of the time, and received a certificate from the United States Government in recognition of his services. Fraternally Mr. Smith is a leading member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which he served as exalted ruler in 1919-20, also of the Knights of Columbus, and the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Smith married, on February 6, 1912, Norah V. Hartigan, daughter of Patrick and Ellen Hartigan, of Taunton, and they are the parents of four children: Patricia H., born in 1914; Paul F., born in 1915; William G., born in 1921; and Barbara, born in 1923.

**ALFRED WILLIS TALLMAN**—A prominent executive in the industrial activities of Taunton, Massachusetts, is Alfred Willis Tallman, who has been identified with the Leonard & Baker Stove Company since the year 1920 as vice-president and general manager and has been responsible in a large degree for the prosperity and growth of the enterprise. Mr. Tallman is a son of William H. Tallman, who was born in Tiverton, Rhode Island, and died in 1904. As a young man, William H. Tall-

man served in the Civil War with the First Regiment, Rhode Island Volunteer Cavalry. He was wounded in action, was taken prisoner, and was confined in Libby Prison. He became prominent in the industrial world in the manufacture of stoves. The mother, Mary E. (Hood) Tallman, was born in Somerset, Massachusetts, and was a member of a very old family of that community. She died in 1910, having survived her husband for only a few years.

Alfred Willis Tallman was born at Somerset, Bristol county, Massachusetts, May 31, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following his high school course, he prepared for his career at the Shoemaker & Clark Commercial School at Fall River. His first business experience was in the employ of the Somerset Stove Foundry as a traveling salesman and he was active along this line for four years, gaining a comprehensive familiarity with the demands of the trade throughout the East and Middle West. During that period Mr. Tallman bought out the controlling interest in the enterprise and became treasurer and general manager, which position he filled until 1920, when the interest changed hands. Mr. Tallman then became identified with the Leonard & Baker Stove Company, of Taunton, as vice-president and manager, in which connection he is still active. This enterprise was founded in 1908 and has become one of the widely important industrial plants of Taunton in the manufacture of stoves, employing over 150 hands, and distributing their product throughout the United States and Canada. Their plant covers five acres of ground, on which are several buildings, and they manufacture the Glendale and Fairmount ranges. He was for some years interested in the public life of the city of Somerset and served as tax collector for one term, but has otherwise never accepted public responsibility. Fraternally he is a member of Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somerset; Rose Croix Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and is also a member of the Grotto; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past grand; and the Sons of Veterans. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Tallman married, in 1907, Ethel A. Whitehead, of Fall River, who is a daughter of James and Mary A. (Kidd) Whitehead.

**THOMAS A. McDONALD**—As managing editor of the "Fall River Daily Globe," Mr. McDonald holds a position of responsibility that he is eminently qualified to fill, one for which he was carefully prepared by circumstances to fill, for he has come up from the rank and there is no phase of the journalist's life with which he is not familiar. He is a native son of Fall River, was trained in her public schools, and began his newspaper career as a "cub" on the staff of the newspaper of which he is now managing editor. His parents, James and Susan (Hurley) McDonald, were married in St.

Joseph's Church at Fall River, May 30, 1878, the father born in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, the mother in Westport, Bristol county, Massachusetts. James McDonald died at Fall River in 1900, his widow yet surviving him (1923).

Thomas A. McDonald was born May 16, 1879, in Fall River, Massachusetts, and was there educated in the public schools. He had chosen his calling and immediately after graduation he became a "cub" on the "Fall River Globe," there serving a full apprenticeship to the business of making a newspaper. He passed through all the successive stages of a district man, covering in turn all district police news, city hall and the city districts, police court, labor organization reporting, then became sporting editor, telegraph editor, city editor and finally reaching his present position, managing editor. In 1900 he was elected a member of the board of directors of the Globe Publishing Company, and has a recognized position among the leading men of the newspaper guild. He is an able, forceful editorial writer, is the Associated Press correspondent from Fall River, serves the "Boston Globe" in the same capacity, and for years was the correspondent for the "New Bedford Standard" daily and Sunday, for the "New Bedford Mercury," and for the "Providence Journal."

Mr. McDonald married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, September 26, 1910, Ella Tillinghast Gardner, who, at the time of her marriage, was engaged in newspaper work on the "Providence Journal," "Providence Tribune," and the "Fall River Globe," being society editor of the last named. Mrs. McDonald is also a well known magazine contributor of short stories. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. McDonald: Jeanne Frances, Thomas Randall, and Mary Louise. The family home is in Fall River.

**RAYMOND J. REGAN, LL.B.**—In legal circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, the name of Raymond J. Regan is gaining marked prominence, and in the younger group of attorneys in Taunton he is taking a noteworthy place. Mr. Regan comes of a prominent family in Boston and vicinity, and is a son of John J. Regan of that city, who has been for many years active as a railway manager. The mother, Winifred (O'Brien) Regan, was born in Wareham, Massachusetts, and both are still living.

Raymond J. Regan was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, April 17, 1894. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1913. Interested from boyhood in the industries, he then entered the Bradford Durfee Textile School at Fall River, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in the class of 1915. Determining, however, upon his present profession as the scene of his life-work, Mr. Regan entered the Boston University Law School and received the Bachelor of Laws degree upon his graduation in 1919. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1919, and entered upon the practice of his profession in Taunton under his own name,



with offices in the Taylor building. In February, 1921, he associated himself with a partner, and under the firm name of Regan & Powers these young men are going forward to marked success. They continue in the Taylor building, and are commanding the esteem and confidence of their contemporaries in the profession, as well as the people generally.

On July 5, 1917, Mr. Regan enlisted in the United States Navy at Newport, Rhode Island, and was assigned to duty on the United States Destroyer "Morris," on which he served until his discharge in January, 1919, with the rank of yeoman. After his discharge from active service he was retained in the Naval Reserve Force until February, 1920. On April 13, 1923, Mr. Regan accepted a commission in the United States Army (O. R. C.) as judge advocate, with the rank of first lieutenant, assigned to duty in case of national emergency to Headquarters, 1st Corps, United States Army. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Regan has become one of the prominent figures among the younger leaders of the party, and serves as secretary and treasurer of the Republican League of Massachusetts, and is a member of the Taunton Bar Association and the Massachusetts Bar Association. He is also a member of the Republican City Committee. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, the American Legion, the Improved Order of Red Men, and the Phi Delta Phi (legal) fraternity, and Phi Psi fraternity. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

**S. FRANK HAMMETT**—The immensity of the operations carried on in the industries today has opened many avenues of business activity, and in one of the most interesting S. Frank Hammett is winning large success. The scope of his work includes erecting machinery of every kind, trucking and its incidental details, and the distribution of various other lines of builders' supplies. Having begun life in the transportation field, Mr. Hammett later went over into the present general branch, but his endeavors have widened extensively in their scope to include much that is peculiarly the meeting of the needs of today. Mr. Hammett is a son of William Hammett, who was born at Long Plain, Massachusetts, and died in 1892. The mother, Mary J. (Cahoon) Hammett, died in 1920.

S. Frank Hammett was born in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, May 7, 1852. His education was begun in the local public school, and later taking a practical business course at Bryant & Stratton's Commercial College, at Providence, Rhode Island, he laid a substantial foundation upon which to build his success. Mr. Hammett's early business experience was with the firm of Washburn & White, in the capacity of bookkeeper, and he remained with this concern until the year 1872. He then became identified with the Taunton Branch railroad in the capacity of clerk, later being appointed freight agent, remaining in this connection until he entered his

present field in 1904. This was in association with B. F. Kingsbury & Company, then leaders in teaming and local transportation. Mr. Hammett became the managing executive of the organization, and continued active with the firm until taking over the business, and is still active. This is a stock company and was incorporated in 1907, under the present title of the Taunton Teaming Company. This enterprise was originally founded in 1852, under the name of Sproat & Luscombe, with headquarters on Wales street, and for many years they practically handled all the teaming of Taunton. After the death of Mr. Luscombe Mr. Sproat continued the business under his own name until 1883, when he sold it to Mr. Kingsbury, who continued at the head until 1893, when it became B. F. Kingsbury & Company, continuing under that title until organized as the Taunton Teaming Company. Mr. Hammett's policy of recognizing special needs of the industrial world, and indeed of the people generally, has carried him to a position of large importance in his chosen field of endeavor. With his associates, also progressive and enterprising men, he handles many branches of work. They specialize in erecting and rigging, unloading from cars, placing on foundations and preparing for efficient service every kind of equipment, including boilers, engines, generators, turbines, steel vestibules, cranes, flagpoles, stacks and all kinds of heavy machinery. They dismantle factories for removal, pack, ship, unload and erect all equipment at destination. They take pride in being experts "for rigging of the heaviest jobs or for the packing and crating of the most fragile and delicate articles." Their motor truck service handles long distance moving of household or other goods promptly and efficiently, and while of course the bulk of their business is in New England, they contract for service anywhere. In addition to the various activities outlined above, they deal, at wholesale and retail, in lime, cement, plaster, wall board, stucco and other mason's materials. With offices and plant at No. 18 High street, Taunton, and spacious storehouses on Wales street, they hold leading rank in their field over a wide territory, as well as being the oldest concern in Taunton in this field, and employ about forty people. Mr. Hammett's further affiliations include membership in the New England Builders' Supply Association, of which he is at present (1923) treasurer, having served in that responsible office for eight years. He is also a director and secretary of the City Investment Trust. Fraternally he is affiliated with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Massachusetts Consistory; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He was formerly a member of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his club is the Winthrop. His religious connection is with the Universalist church.

Mr. Hammett married, in 1875, Isabella W. Macomber, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of two children: George Brownell, born in 1877; and Harold Macomber, born in 1889.

**HENRY FRANKLIN NICKERSON**—In the law and in journalism Henry F. Nickerson has found the channels of his service to his community. He is a son of Benjamin Franklin and Ellen (Fitzgerald) Nickerson, for many years esteemed citizens of Fall River, both now deceased. Benjamin Franklin Nickerson was born in Fall River and for many years was prominent in the dry goods business in this city; also was well known as a progressive and public-spirited citizen. The mother, who was a native of County Cork, Ireland, came to the United States as a child with her family and, settling at Fall River, grew to womanhood there. She was a lovely and estimable woman and is well remembered in Fall River.

Henry Franklin Nickerson was born in Fall River, May 16, 1875. His education was begun in the local public schools, and after a course at Holy Cross College in Worcester, Massachusetts, he entered Harvard University School of Law, being admitted to the bar in September, 1900. Immediately thereafter he began practice in his native city, first entering the law office of Jennings, Morton & Brayton. For about eighteen months he was associated with this well known law firm, after which he formed a partnership with Charles P. Ryan, under the firm name of Ryan & Nickerson. This affiliation continued until July, 1906, since which time he has practiced independently. Later he was appointed special justice of the Second District Court of Bristol county, in which responsible office he was active for something more than ten years, resigning in the year 1921. Since his resignation he has gone forward in the private practice of law, and his extensive clientele has largely commanded his time. He is also interested in various enterprises of the local public world, acts as treasurer and director of the Fall River Daily Globe Publishing Company, one of the foremost daily papers of New England, and is also secretary of the New England Brass Company of Taunton. Fraternally Judge Nickerson is identified with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Knights of Columbus, and his clubs are the Quequechan, Holy Cross, and Harvard.

Judge Nickerson married, July 12, 1899, Mary E. Dwyer of Fall River, and they are members of the Church of the Sacred Heart.

**JOHN P. JACKSON, M. D.**—A leading physician of the younger group of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Dr. John P. Jackson is widely known professionally, his interests centering in Fall River. His name is far more familiar, however, and far more widely esteemed through his distinguished service in the World War. Dr. Jackson is a man of large ability and tireless energy, and is giving to his professional activities the wealth of experience gained in the trying years of his service overseas. This, added to his excellent training, places him in a leading position in medical circles in Fall River. He is a son of Patrick J. and Sarah (Rogers) Jackson, both natives of Ireland, who came to the

United States as children with their parents, both families settling in Tiverton, Massachusetts. Both the doctor's father and mother are now deceased.

John P. Jackson was born at Tiverton, Massachusetts, December 29, 1888. His education was begun in the public schools of Fall River and, later entering Holy Cross College, he there covered the usual course in the liberal arts, after which he took up his professional preparations at the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, Maryland, from which he was graduated in the class of 1903, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Thereafter for nine months Dr. Jackson served as intern at the Maryland Insane Asylum, then in July, 1904, took up the practice of medicine in Fall River. Dr. Jackson has gone forward to large success in his practice, and holds a leading position in medical circles in Fall River today, being a member of the American Medical Association, and prominent in all professional advance. The military record of Dr. Jackson begins with his enlistment for service in the World War as a member of the United States Medical Corps on August 19, 1917. He was commissioned captain and sent to France shortly thereafter, being one of the first contingent of six hundred medical men to be sent across. Following his arrival at Liverpool, England, Dr. Jackson was assigned to the British Army, and served for six months in England, during which period he had complete charge of the Suffolk Hospital at Bury St. Edmunds. There he did all the surgical and medical work of the institution, the dearth of skilled attendants being very great. He had 150 beds under his care. From this point Dr. Jackson was later sent to France, and two weeks after his arrival in that country he was transferred to Belgium, where he saw service of the most trying character at the front. Staying at Ypres, he saw all the fighting along the Somme river from Ypres to central France, and was active with the same ambulance corps until Labor Day, 1918. On that day he was severely wounded at the Battle of Amiens and was taken to a hospital in London. On October 11, 1918, Dr. Jackson landed in New York City on his return from France and was sent immediately to the Lakewood General Hospital, where he received his honorable discharge from the service, January 30, 1919. Returning to his private practice in Fall River, Dr. Jackson has achieved large success following general lines of medicine and surgery. His popularity as a prominent young man of the day and his high level of professional achievement give him a leading position in this city. Fraternally he is a member of Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Knights of Columbus; Aerie No. 570, Fraternal Order of Eagles; American Order of Foresters and Division No. 6; Ancient Order of Hibernians. His religious affiliation is with St. Louis' Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Jackson married, on Thanksgiving day, 1920, Etta Duffy of Fall River, and they are the parents of one daughter, Barbara Virginia. The residence and office are at No. 589 South Main street.





*John P. Jackson M.D.*



**HON. EDWIN J. HORTON**—It is eminently fitting that in the permanent records of the city of Attleboro, Massachusetts, the name of the Hon. Edwin J. Horton should hold a prominent position, and as a progressive and forward-looking citizen of a day now gone by, he did much for the community of which he was a native and a lifelong resident. As a business man he established concerns of this city, thereby contributing to the prosperity of the people and the economic welfare of the community. In his social and fraternal affiliations, his benevolence of spirit made him a man widely beloved as well as universally respected, and his sad death was a source of great sorrow not only to those who came in close daily touch with his life but to the entire community. He was a member of an old and honored family of Bristol county, and his life was one of broad usefulness.

Edwin J. Horton was born in Attleboro, Massachusetts, November 10, 1837, and was drowned June 11, 1880, a victim of the fearful catastrophe occasioned by the collision between the steamers "Stonington" and "Narragansett," on which latter vessel he was a passenger. Reared and educated in his native town of Attleboro, Mr. Horton entered the business world as a young man and became identified with the manufacture of jewelry. This industry at that time was in its infancy and Mr. Horton's activities contributed much to its development and expansion. He was in many ways an uncommon man and became an outstanding figure in his generation in local industrial affairs. He was the senior member as well as one of the founders of the firm of Horton, Angell & Company, which began as a small enterprise but under his able management developed to be one of the extensively important manufacturing jewelry concerns of Attleboro. Mr. Horton was gifted with truly remarkable fertility of resource and ability as an executive, and his masterly handling of the early problems of the enterprise carried the concern through the various phases incident to the building up of any business and placed it on a substantial and permanent foundation. He was a man of the most conscientious principles, which he carried into his business life, and he would permit no dealings of any kind whatsoever even in the smallest detail which were not governed by the strictest integrity. Interested throughout his lifetime in every branch of community effort, he displayed the higher quality of patriotism in the time of dissension between the North and South, enlisting for service in the Civil War on August 17, 1862, as a member of Company H, 40th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, and received his honorable discharge from the service following the close of hostilities on June 17, 1865. He was throughout the remainder of his lifetime a leading member of the Grand Army of the Republic and was one of the beloved as well as esteemed members of this organization. Fraternally he was affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and at the time of his death was noble grand of Orient Lodge,

Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Horton was a man of the broadest sympathies, and no worthy cause failed to win his generous support and cordial aid. He was also lavish in charitable ways, giving of his means to the poor and needy. His public services were in the nature of loyal support and encouragement of every civic interest rather than purely political effort. His usefulness in the community and the great esteem and confidence in which he was held were demonstrated by the fact that he was elected representative to the General Court of Massachusetts and served during the years 1879-80, his death terminating his public career at a time when all his friends looked upon him as a man whose future would mean much to the town and State and, perhaps, to the nation. He was a leading figure in the local Young Men's Christian Association and contributed largely to its support. A man of deep religious convictions and unvarying consistency, he was from his youth a member of the Congregational church, having joined this society in 1867.

Edwin J. Horton married, on May 8, 1862, R. Adelaide Lee, who died in 1920, and they were the parents of two children: Raymond M., a sketch of whom follows; and one who died in infancy.

**RAYMOND M. HORTON**—Prominent in the business life of Attleboro, Massachusetts, as a manufacturer of jewelry, Raymond M. Horton is looked upon as one of the largely successful men of the day in this city, and both among his associates and the people generally is enjoying the esteem and confidence of all. Mr. Horton is a member of an old family of Massachusetts, and a son of Edwin J. and R. Adelaide (Lee) Horton (see preceding sketch).

Raymond M. Horton was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, August 28, 1875. His education was begun in the local public schools and completed in the high schools of Attleboro, and immediately following the completion of his studies, he identified himself with the jewelry industry of Attleboro. He entered the employ of the W. E. Richards Company of this city and has been connected with this concern continuously until the present time. This business was established many years before its incorporation, which took place in 1907, and the plant is in the Simmons building, located at No. 191 Main street, where they occupy about 3,500 square feet of floor space and employ fifty people. They send their products to all parts of the United States, manufacturing a general line of gold jewelry. This company has developed extensively in the past decade or so, and as president and treasurer of the concern Mr. Horton, together with C. A. Howard, secretary of the company, is leading the interest forward to ever larger success. In the world of finance of Attleboro, Mr. Horton is prominent as a director of the First National Bank, a trustee and director of the Attleborough Savings and Loan Association; a director of the Attleborough Savings Bank, in which he serves as

a member of the investment board; and he is treasurer and a member of the board of trustees of the public library. He is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce; the Associated Industries of Massachusetts; the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade of Providence, Rhode Island; the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association; and the New York Board of Trade. In public affairs Mr. Horton takes a deep interest, and politically supports the Republican party, but he has never accepted public offices of any kind. He was a member of Company M, Massachusetts State Guard, during the World War, and also during that trying period served as chairman of the first Red Cross campaign. Fraternally Mr. Horton is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious affiliation is with the Second Congregational Church, and he serves as a member of the standing committee.

Mr. Horton married, in 1901, Una MacGregor of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, daughter of Rev. Alexander and Mary MacGregor, of Pawtucket.

**DANIEL F. SULLIVAN**—In commercial circles in Fall River, Massachusetts, Daniel F. Sullivan holds a position in the front ranks as one of the leading retail shoe merchants of Bristol county. Mr. Sullivan has had a long and eventful career; and his broad experience in business circles and in the fraternal and social affiliations of life have come to mean much to the people of Fall River, through his prominence in many forms of organized endeavor and also through his activities in the public service. Mr. Sullivan is a son of John and Margaret (Reagan) Sullivan, both natives of County Cork, Ireland, coming to the United States as young people and settling in Fall River, where they were married at Saint Mary's Church. John Sullivan was identified with the iron industry in this city throughout his life, and died in the year 1884. The mother survived him for many years, passing away in 1906.

Daniel F. Sullivan was born in Fall River, August 10, 1864. His education was very limited, so far as formal school attendance was concerned, his parents being in humble circumstances. It became necessary for him to contribute to the family finances at the age of twelve years, and he secured a position in the iron foundries, where he worked for four or five years. His time up to this period of his life had been spent principally at the farm of his grandmother Reagan, in the town of Somerset, Massachusetts. He later secured a position with the American Print Works of Fall River, and engaged in this line of endeavor for three or four years. During this time, however, he supplemented his meager education with regular attendance at the Fall River Evening High School, and after four years of study in this connection he was appointed one of the principals of the evening school. In further preparation for a successful commercial career, Mr. Sullivan attended Bryant &

Stratton Business College, and graduated in the class of 1886. He then secured a position as bookkeeper in one of the large shoe factories in Brockton, Massachusetts, where he remained for about three months. Then, feeling he would find in independent activity larger and more permanent success, he returned to Fall River and established himself at No. 40 South Main street, in the retail shoe business. This address is across the street from his present location at No. 155 South Main street. He was prosperous from the beginning, and after ten years at the original location the business had increased to such an extent that he was compelled to seek larger quarters. The expansion possible in his present address gave the business fresh impetus. He now has one of the largest retail shoe and hosiery stores in Bristol county, and his trade is not only among the people of the city, but from the surrounding towns and country villages he commands a large patronage. In 1916 the business was incorporated under the title of D. F. Sullivan, Inc., Mr. Sullivan becoming president and treasurer of the corporation. Not only in his business interests but in the wider activities of civic and benevolent endeavor, Mr. Sullivan holds a leading place in Fall River. He has been identified since the year 1905 with the Associated Shoe Company, of Boston, of which he was an organizer, and of which he has been president since its formation. He has for many years been a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and in every branch of civic endeavor he takes a deep interest, although he has rarely been persuaded to accept official responsibility. Mr. Sullivan served as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fall River for six and one-half years, during five and one-half years of the period as secretary, and during one year as chairman of the board. He has been a member of the Young Men's Irish-American Temperance Society for forty-two years, and was president of this organization in 1885; also has been a member of the board of trustees continuously since that date. He has served as treasurer of the board of trustees since the erection of the building of this society, which was financed and built in the year 1892. Mr. Sullivan is also a leading member of the Knights of Columbus, and in club circles he holds a very noteworthy position as one of the organizers of the Fall River Rotary Club. He was made the first president of this organization, in which capacity he served two terms, and at the spring conference of Rotary clubs, held at Providence, Rhode Island, on March 12 and 13, 1923, he was paid the very high honor of receiving the nomination for the office of governor of the thirty-first district of Rotary clubs, and served as district governor, 1923-1924. He has been a member of the board of directors of the Fall River District Nursing Association since its organization. Mr. Sullivan is also a member of the Queechan and Fall River Country clubs, but his special interest is in those organizations which have as their purpose the benevolent or helpful activities with breadth of scope and purpose loftier than the mere pleasures of the moment. As a member of the Citizens' Savings Bank Corporation he is doing much to encourage thrift and kindred qualities among the young people of the city. He is a member of the Holy Name Roman Catholic Church.



Mr. Sullivan married, in 1891, Mary Taylor of Fall River, and they are the parents of eight children, of whom five are now living. These children are as follows: Julia W., a graduate of Trinity College, class of 1914, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, who has taught for five years in Fall River high schools; Jane M., a graduate of the Sacred Heart Convent and Yannis State Normal School; Louis J., a graduate of Yale University, class of 1921, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, now associated with his father in the shoe business; Francis E., a graduate of Georgetown University, of Washington, D. C., class of 1922, degree of Bachelor of Arts, also associated with his father; and Mary A., a graduate of Trinity College in the class of 1923, degree of Bachelor of Arts. Of the children who are deceased, Daniel J. was the only one who grew to maturity, and his loss was one of the saddest events in the younger social group in Fall River in recent years. He was in his junior year at Yale University when he left home to enlist for overseas service in the World War. He went to France with Ambulance Unit No. 64, and was with the French Army for six months before America entered the war. As soon as that step was taken he returned to the United States to enlist in the army of his native land, and became a member of the air service, with the commission of lieutenant, just before the armistice was signed. In October, 1920, he was appointed vice-consul to Danzig, which at that time was made a free state by the League of Nations. Lieutenant Sullivan was at that time only twenty-three years of age, and was thus one of the youngest men ever appointed to a consulate by the United States Government. In January, 1922, Lieutenant Sullivan returned to the United States on a leave of absence, his purpose being to take the examinations at Washington for the diplomatic service, and on March 12, 1922, he was killed in an automobile accident while returning from Boston to Fall River. Lieutenant Sullivan was considered one of the most promising young men of Bristol county, and the brilliant start he had already made in his career was an assurance that whatever responsibility of life he should take up would be discharged with fidelity and efficiency. The unspeakably sad close of such a bright and promising career cast a shadow of deepest regret over every circle in which the young man had been known, and the only comfort which could be derived from his passing was that at the time of his country's need he had given his best to her service.

#### HOWARD PIERCE SAWYER, A.B., M.D.—

Among the professional men who have come into prominence since the World War and who gained breadth of experience in that struggle Dr. Sawyer is a noteworthy figure. A native of the State of Massachusetts, he is a direct descendant on the maternal side of Mary Allerton, also of Robert Cushman, who was the financial agent of the sailing of the "Mayflower." He is a son of Judge William H. and Caroline (Lane) Sawyer, his father a native of Littleton, New Hampshire, and his mother of Whitefield, New Hampshire. Both are now living and residing in Concord. Judge Sawyer is one of the outstanding figures of his native State, having been elevated to the bench of the Superior Court of New Hampshire some ten years ago. His

long record of success as a lawyer and his distinguished position on the bench place him high in the current affairs of New Hampshire.

Howard Pierce Sawyer was born at Concord, New Hampshire, August 13, 1892. He is a graduate of the Concord High School, class of 1911, and of Dartmouth College, class of 1915, from which institution he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts. He took up his medical studies at Yale University Medical School, but his last year in Dartmouth he had devoted to medicine, and for a short time, while in New Haven, he did medical service at the New Haven Hospital. In August, 1917, prior to the completion of his medical course, Dr. Sawyer volunteered for service in the Medical Corps of the United States Army and sailed for France within the month. He was assigned to duty in the Mobile Hospital Service, this being the original projection of the idea of Mobile Hospital activities in the American Army. Dr. Sawyer was graduated and awarded his diploma in France, his commanding officer being professor of surgery at Yale Medical School. His diploma was granted on the recommendation of this superior officer. Dr. Sawyer was commissioned first lieutenant of the Medical Corps, September 5, 1918, and served for some seventeen months in the hospitals of France. Returning to the United States in January, 1918, he received his honorable discharge from the service on March 28 of the same year, and was thereafter active in the New Haven Hospital for the time, then served in the Boston Lying-In Hospital until January, 1920. At that time Dr. Sawyer came to Fall River to become associated with the Truesdale Clinic, and for about eighteen months was a member of the staff of the Truesdale Hospital (q.v.). He severed his connection with this institution in May, 1921, and at that time opened his office for independent practice at No. 122 Purchase street. Here he has since devoted his attention to obstetrics, in which he has gained a very high reputation, and is coming to be looked upon as an authority. Dr. Sawyer is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, and the Fall River Medical Society, and acts as assistant obstetrician at the Fall River General Hospital. Fraternally he is affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Sigma Phi Epsilon, college fraternity; Alpha Kappa Kappa, medical fraternity; and Gamma Alpha Scientific Society. The interests of his leisure follow the line of outdoor activities, and he is a member of the Fall River Country Club.

Dr. Sawyer married, November 6, 1920, Mary Gerish Willard of Detroit, Michigan, and they have one son, Howard Pierce, Jr.

**HON. ALFRED R. CROSBY**—The recent death of Alfred R. Crosby, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, removed from the city another member of that interesting group of men who toward the close of long and useful lives at once recall the past in their daily conversation and give good counsel to the younger men of the present. Out of their rich experiences they have won wisdom and crystalized judgment, and their usefulness to the community is by no means to be measured by their present activities, for from the wise men of any country the men in the thick of the struggle

may well seek wisdom, whatever their ultimate end in view.

Alfred R. Crosby was born at Glover, Orleans county, Vermont, August 31, 1838, and died April 1, 1923. He was a son of Hezekiah and Phila (Richardson) Crosby, esteemed farming people of that section. His education was begun in the district schools of the farm community, and he later attended the academy at Barton, Vermont. As a youth he assisted his father on the home farm, and at the age of twenty-two years enlisted in Company M, First Battalion, New Hampshire Field Artillery, at Manchester, New Hampshire. This occasion took place on September 26, 1861, and at the close of his three-year enlistment he reenlisted, serving until the close of the war. He received his honorable discharge from the service on July 8, 1865, and on his return North located in Attleboro, Massachusetts. Here he established himself in the harness business on Park street, and was active along that line of endeavor for a number of years with success. He later entered the field of jewelry manufacture, forming a partnership with William H. and Stephen Smith, the enterprise going forward for several years under the title of Smith, Crosby & Smith, later becoming Smith & Crosby, as at present. His ceaseless energy and excellent business ability were the foundations upon which was built the great success of that firm in recent years. He was a man of most pleasing personality and of the strictest integrity, and until his retirement was the central figure, as well as the leading executive, of this organization. He was one of the best known of the jewelry executives of Attleboro, and his general popularity was well attested by the appreciations brought out by his death in the various newspapers of this section, one leading daily referring to his passing as follows:

Of unquestioned integrity and unusual business ability, Mr. Crosby for many years was a great force for good in the city, and the community owes much to him for his splendid influence. Possessed of high ideals, and with a character unimpeachable, he was generally respected and revered by all with whom he came in contact. His friends, and they are numberless, are the best evidence of the esteem in which he was held.

Mr. Crosby was affiliated with many other branches of worthy effort. For many years he served as a director of the Attleborough Savings Bank and as a member of the investment committee of that institution. In civic affairs he was a man of broad influence and lofty purposes. He was chairman of the finance committee of the town of Attleboro before the adoption of the city charter. He was representative from Attleboro district to the General Assembly, and during his period of service in this connection he acted as chairman and member of several important committees. Previously he had served for several years on the local school committee and was always influential on the problems of the educational department of the civic body. Fraternally Mr. Crosby was a charter member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and was the second master of this lodge. He was also affiliated with King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; and Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar, of which he held the highest offices. He was district deputy grand master of the Twenty-third Masonic District in the years 1887-

1888. In religious advance Mr. Crosby always felt the deepest interest, and his personal beliefs were profound, while of the greatest breadth and charity. He was affiliated with the Universalist church, and from the time of the erection of the Murray Church he held a pew in that edifice.

Hon. Alfred R. Crosby married, on December 28, 1869, Frances E. Dean, daughter of Bradford and Maria Dean, and they were the parents of four children, three of whom still survive them: Mrs. L. C. Luther; Alfred D., a sketch of whom follows; and George H., a sketch of whom appears on following pages. A third son, Arthur N. Crosby, died at Camp Devens during the World War.

**ALFRED D. CROSBY**—Widely prominent in the jewelry trade as the leading executive of the Smith & Crosby Company, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, Alfred D. Crosby is a broadly representative figure in the business life of Bristol county. Interested in his present line of endeavor from childhood, his educational preparations were made with the view of succeeding his father in the present business, and with his practical ability and his progressive spirit he has won a high position in the business life of the day. Mr. Crosby is a son of the late Hon. Alfred R. and Frances E. (Dean) Crosby, a review of the father's life appearing in the preceding sketch.

Alfred D. Crosby was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, February 12, 1871. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he is a graduate of the Attleboro High School, class of 1890. Later entering Bryant & Stratton Business College, at Providence, Rhode Island, he made practical preparations for his future, and shortly after the completion of his course entered the business world. To acquire breadth of experience, Mr. Crosby associated himself with various concerns in the jewelry business until the year 1908, when with his brother, George H. Crosby, he became a member of the firm since known as Smith & Crosby, of which his honored father was at the time the head. Several years later a third son was admitted into the co-partnership, Arthur N. Crosby, who enlisted in the United States Army in the late World War, and who died at Camp Devens on September 25, 1918. His interest was purchased by the remaining two sons. The late Hon. Arthur R. Crosby retiring soon after, left the entire ownership of the business with Mr. Crosby and his brother, George H. This business was established in the year 1874, and the first location was in the Robinson buildings, on Railroad avenue, where it was carried forward for thirty-five years. The firm then removed to the present location, at No. 94 County street, where they now occupy one entire floor, comprising some 7,000 square feet of floor space. Employing some sixty people, they produce a special line of jewelry known as the "gold front" jewelry, holding a leading position in this line. Their market is the entire United States, and, as the head of this important business, Mr. Crosby holds a prominent position in the trade. For a number of years the Crosby name has been the principal one in this organization, Stephen Smith having retired early in its history, in 1878, and William H. Smith in 1908. Mr. Crosby's other affiliations with the business world in Attleboro include a



directorship of the Attleboro Trust Bank. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of the New England Jewelers' & Silversmiths' Association, the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, and the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is also a member of all the Masonic bodies. Mr. Crosby has few interests which do not more or less closely concern his field of business endeavor, but in public life supports the Republican party, although never accepting public responsibilities of any kind. During the World War he served on various boards and committees of the period, and received from the United States Government a certificate recognizing the value of his services. He is a member of the parish of the Universalist church.

Mr. Crosby married, on April 12, 1899, Irene Tobitt, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of John L. Tobitt, of Mansfield, Massachusetts, and Martha (Moore) Tobitt, of Holroyd, England, and they are the parents of one son, Alfred T., born July 10, 1901, now a student at Boston University.

**GEORGE H. CROSBY**—In the manufacture of jewelry in Attleboro, Massachusetts, George H. Crosby stands among the leading executives of the day as a member of the Smith & Crosby Company. Interested in this concern from boyhood, since his father was for many years at the head, Mr. Crosby looked forward to his activities in this connection from his youth, and his entire career has been spent in advancing the interests of the enterprise. Mr. Crosby is a son of Alfred R. and Frances E. (Dean) Crosby (q.v.). He was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, April 24, 1875. Receiving a practical education in the public schools of this city, he entered the employ of Smith & Crosby, as the firm was then known, as soon as his studies were completed. Beginning in a minor capacity and familiarizing himself with the details of the business by experience in every department, he rose through his own merits, becoming first foreman, then superintendent, and in 1908, with his brother, Alfred D. Crosby (see preceding sketch), he was made a member of the firm.

George H. Crosby is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and in political affairs is a supporter of the Republican party, although he has never accepted official responsibility in public life. He is a veteran of the Spanish-American War, having served throughout the full period of that war with the rank of sergeant, during part of the time as color-sergeant. Prior to this service he was a member of Company I, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, for five years with the rank of corporal. Mr. Crosby holds the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, being a member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Boston Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. His religious affiliation is with the Second Congregational Church.

Mr. Crosby married, October 4, 1914, Julia Marsh Angeline, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Mary Eunice (Marsh) Angeline, her father a farmer of New Preston, Connecticut.

**WILLIS K. HODGMAN** was born at Warren, Maine, May 1, 1861, and was a son of Samuel and

Mary (Thorndike) Hodgman, both these families being direct lines from early settlers of Maine and Massachusetts. Educated in his native State, Willis K. Hodgman came to Taunton in August, 1880, and at that time entered the employ of the Mason Machine Works, where he learned the machinist's trade, making a specialty of locomotives. Three years later, in association with Berthold Huber, he founded the concern which later became known as the Huber-Hodgman Printing Press Company, at the beginning having their manufacturing done at the Taunton Locomotive Works. In 1902-3 a new plant was erected for the concern, and this was occupied by it from the latter year until the business was sold, Mr. Hodgman acting as treasurer and manager during the period. In 1913, upon the retirement of Mr. Hodgman, the Miehle Printing Press and Manufacturing Company of Chicago, Illinois, absorbed the interest, but Mr. Hodgman was retained as consulting engineer until his death. Meantime, for many years, Willis K. Hodgman, Sr., brought out many valuable inventions contributing to the development of the printing business and the perfection of the work done in this field. His inventive genius was also directed towards other fields, notably fire prevention. He invented and developed the Hodgman automatic sprinkler for fire protection. For its manufacture a partnership formed with his son in 1919 began operations in a specially built factory on Washington street, of which Willis K. Hodgman, Jr., is now the head. In other business interests the father was also prominent, being affiliated with the Bristol County Savings Bank Corporation, a director and former president of the Bay State Crucible Company, and president of the Bristol County Agricultural Society. At one time he held the office of second lieutenant in Company F, 1st Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and he was more or less active in the civic advance, serving as councilman from Ward Four (1889-90) and as alderman (1891-93) from the same ward. He was elected mayor of Taunton in the fall of 1893, and served in that highest office of a local nature in the gift of the people with honor and distinction. He was also active for some years on the Board of Water Commissioners, served on the local Committee of Safety during the World War, and was one of the trustees of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Fraternally he was a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; he was a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society, and his clubs were the Winthrop, of which he was a charter member, the Taunton Yacht and the Taunton Boat. His was a well-rounded life, full of usefulness. Actuated by high purposes, tireless in his endeavors to benefit his day and generation, his loss was heavily felt in every circle in which he had been known. His death occurred March 28, 1923, and all Taunton mourned the passing of a man whose richly beneficent life forms a splendid page in the annals of the city.

Willis K. Hodgman, Sr., married (first) Louisa Black, daughter of Captain William Black; and

(second) Emma A. Watts, daughter of the late George Watts, who survives him. A daughter, Mildred, and a son, Willis K., Jr., also survive him.

Willis K. Hodgman, Jr., was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, August 13, 1890. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1907. Thereafter he entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which he was graduated in the class of 1911, with the degrees of Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering. Mr. Hodgman's first business experience was in association with his father in the manufacture of the Huber-Hodgman printing presses in Taunton. Having acquired a thorough working knowledge of this business, he went to Chicago for breadth of experience, and there was active in the employ of the Miehle Printing Press Manufacturing Company for about two years, when he returned to Taunton in connection with the manufacture of high explosive shells by the same company for the Russian government.

During the World War Willis K. Hodgman, Jr., served with the American Expeditionary Forces, but this was his second enlistment in the military service. In 1911 he enlisted in the 9th Company, Coast Artillery Corps, Massachusetts National Guard, serving for a period of three years. Re-enlisting in 1917, he went with the 9th Company to Boston Harbor and was a little later commissioned second lieutenant, transferred to the ordnance department, was assigned to duty at Camp Dodge, Iowa, sent thence to Camp Hancock, Georgia, and eventually went overseas. Following his return to this country, he received his honorable discharge from the active service in February, 1919, but is now captain in the 101st Regiment Field Artillery, Massachusetts National Guard. Mr. Hodgman is a member of the American Legion, and prominent in the work of the organization in Bristol county. He has for some years identified himself with civic advance in an unobtrusive way, and is now serving his second term as a member of the city council. Otherwise he has few interests outside of his business, but retains his membership in the Theta Chi fraternity, and is a leading member of the Taunton Boat Club. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Hodgman married, in March, 1919, Barbara R. Stone, of Providence, Rhode Island, daughter of William Sydney and the late Mary E. (Russell) Stone, both of Providence.

**REV. GEORGE O'CALLAGHAN**—The leader and spiritual guide of one of the finest and largest parishes of the Roman Catholic church in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Rev. George O'Callaghan. Father O'Callaghan has had a very extensive ministry, the duties of his vocation having carried him to various parts of the world and placing him among the different classes of people. Enriched by this experience, his ministry in Fall River as pastor of the Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church has been fruitful of great good both to the church and

to those lines of civic and general advance which contribute to the welfare of all the people. Father O'Callaghan is a son of Dennis O. and Esther (Fitzgerald) O'Callaghan. His father, who was born at Cork, Ireland, came to the United States as a young man just prior to the Civil War. Thoroughly in sympathy with the cause of the Union, and a man of large courage and boundless faith in the triumph of right, he enlisted in the Massachusetts Cavalry and fought with this command until the surrender of General Lee. Mr. O'Callaghan was wounded in the last battle in Virginia just prior to the surrender. Soon after the close of hostilities he returned to Massachusetts and, locating in Boston, married and secured a position with a leading coal dealer in that city. He later removed to Toronto, Canada, where he was engaged in the coal business for some years, then eventually went to Halifax, Nova Scotia, and thence returned to Ireland, where the family was living at the time of his death. He died in England in the year 1898 while visiting in that country, but the mother still (1923) survives him and resides in Ireland at an advanced age.

Father George O'Callaghan was born at Halifax, Nova Scotia, June 6, 1873. His education was begun in the schools of that section, and as a young man he entered St. Patrick's College in northern Italy, then took up his studies in philosophy and theology at the Gregorian University in Rome, Italy. From that institution he was ordained to the priesthood in March, 1901, by Cardinal Bourne of Westminster, England. His first appointment was as assistant priest of the Church of Our Lady Star of the East at Hastings, England. He later acted as assistant in London, England, at St. Peter's Church, then, in 1904, came to the United States, and was appointed assistant at the Church of the Sacred Heart in Brooklyn, New York. In 1905 Father O'Callaghan was sent to Rome, Italy, as vice-rector to San Silvestre in Capite, a church for English-speaking people. This honor was succeeded by a similar appointment as rector of St. Joseph's Church in Florence, Italy, this also being a church for English-speaking people. Returning to the United States in the year 1913, Father O'Callaghan was appointed assistant pastor of the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in New York City. He was then made assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Church in Hamilton, in 1914, and remained in that capacity until 1918, when he was appointed chaplain of Camp Funston at Fort Riley, Kansas, and later was transferred to the Wissahickon barracks at Cape May, New Jersey. He was later with the United States marines at Camp Quantico in Virginia and was active in army work until 1920. He was then sent to Fall River in the Fall River Diocese as pastor of the Church of the Holy Rosary. Taking up the duties of his parish, Father O'Callaghan has gone forward with the same devoted effort and the same tireless energy which have made him a power for good in these previous appointments. This is one of the largest and most important churches of Worcester county, having a





*George B. Callaghan*



membership of about 4,000 people, and under his care the parish is prospering largely. He reorganized the church and has done much in the way of forming the people into organized bands and societies for progressive effort along various lines of Christian work. He has built and handsome new rectory since taking charge of his duties here and in many ways has improved and beautified the church property, which is located at No. 120 Beattie street, Fall River. His deep spirituality and his great love for his people have brought him into close personal touch with the congregation, and immeasurably strengthened his influence as their leader and spiritual advisor. His has commanded the respect and esteem of his contemporaries in religious effort in this city regardless of differences of creed or denomination, and is one of the really significant figures of the day in community advance.

**ERNEST D. GILMORE**—One of the leading figures in the manufacturing jewelry interests of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Ernest D. Gilmore, who for more than thirty years has been at the head of the Ernest D. Gilmore Company of Attleboro, Massachusetts. A man of broadly practical spirit and tireless energy, Mr. Gilmore has given to the development and permanent welfare of this concern practically his lifelong efforts and it is indeed a credit to his ability. He comes of a noteworthy family of this State, and is a son of George R. Gilmore, who was born at Franklin, Massachusetts, and died in 1881, after achieving success as a manufacturer of straw goods, while still a comparatively young man. The mother, Emmeline L. (Barrows) Gilmore, who was born in Foxboro, Massachusetts, survived her husband by only a decade.

Ernest D. Gilmore was born at Wrentham, Massachusetts, April 6, 1860. His early education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, then, after a course at a preparatory school in New York City, he entered the New York School of Art, from which he was graduated in the class of 1877. Mr. Gilmore's artistic tastes and training gave him especial aptitude for the work of the jeweler, and upon his completing his studies he entered the employ of George K. Webster, a manufacturing jeweler of North Attleboro, at that time prominent, and remained in this connection as a designer for a period of thirteen years. He left this position only to go into business for himself, and it was in 1891 that he took this step, forming an affiliation with Edwin T. Bright and founding the firm of E. D. Gilmore & Company. From the first this enterprise was successful, and during the early years was located at No. 9 Maiden lane, Attleboro, in the heart of the jewelry section of the city. With the growth of the business and the imperative need of larger space, they removed to the old steam power building, which for a time was the only suitable headquarters available. In 1906 the business was removed to its present location at No. 54 Union street, and they now occupy

an entire floor, employing about forty people and sending their products to all parts of the United States and Canada. From the beginning Mr. Gilmore has held the highest business ideals, and has confined his attention to the manufacture of gold jewelry of fine quality and choice designs. Producing articles for the use of both men and women, he has made the line manufactured by this concern one of distinctive merit from an artistic viewpoint as well as from the angle of quality, and the Gilmore products are considered some of the most attractive and desirable in the trade. Mr. Gilmore is a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association; the Associated Industries of Massachusetts; and the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce; also the Jewelers' Board of Trade. His further affiliations in the business world include a directorship in the Attleboro Trust Company, and he is considered one of the foremost industrial executives of the day in Attleboro.

Every branch of civic advance holds its appeal for Mr. Gilmore and he is invariably found among the supporters of any worthy or progressive movement. A Republican by political affiliation, he takes no interest in political affairs as such, giving only the support of the progressive citizen to the advance of the party's interests. At one time, for a period of two years, he was a member of Company M, Massachusetts National Guard. Various positions of trust have been placed in Mr. Gilmore's hands from time to time, and he is now a trustee of the Richardson School Fund, also a trustee and a member of the board of managers of the Sturdy Memorial Hospital, and a member of the Sinking Fund Commission. Fraternally Mr. Gilmore is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; and Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; also with Orient Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past grand master; and G. M. Horton Encampment. In early life he affiliated himself with the religious progress of the day and has since been an active member of the Second Congregational Church, of which for several years he has been a deacon.

Mr. Gilmore married (first) in 1887, Annie S. Crawford, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, daughter of Richard and Martha (Small) Crawford, of Rhode Island, her father a tailor by trade. Mrs. Gilmore died in 1920, and two years later Mr. Gilmore married (second) Nettie M. Lamond, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Clara (Davis) Lamond, both natives of Canada. The Gilmore residence is at No. 357 South Main street.

**FRANK L. PIPER**—Well known in the city of Fall River, Massachusetts, as an attorney at law, but more definitely and prominently a leader of the people, as president of the Board of Aldermen, Frank L. Piper is a noteworthy figure in the public life of Bristol county today and his endeavors for the public good have been productive of much fruit. Mr. Piper is a son of William I. and Frances

(Adams) Piper of New York State. William I. Piper was for sixteen years postmaster of the town of Frankfort, New York, and was one of the foremost citizens of that community. He was later active as justice of the peace in the local courts and for some years was prominent in various town offices, in which he served the people with distinction and with the true devotion of the self-forgetful and public-spirited citizen. He was for some years engaged in the employ of the West Shore railroad, and was a leader in fraternal circles in Frankfort, having been master of his Masonic lodge for a number of years. William I. Piper died in 1918, at the age of eighty years, his death closing a long, eventful and eminently useful career. On the maternal side Mr. Piper traces back to the early settlers of Massachusetts. His immigrant ancestor came over in the ship "Fortune," which has come down in history as the ship that followed the "Mayflower," landing in 1621. In direct line from this pioneer was Joseph Adams, born in 1706, died in 1753, who married Mary Davenport. Their son, Paul Adams, was born at Pomfret, Connecticut, in 1727 and died in 1777. He was a member of Colonel Jonathan Latimer's Regiment of Connecticut Troops in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War, and died in the service at Stillwater, New York. Paul Adams married Mary Hubbard, and their son, Willard Adams, was born in 1762, and died in 1829. He married Abigail Marcy and established the family line in the State of New York. Their son, Edwin Adams, was born in Herkimer county in the year 1789, and died in 1881. Edwin Adams married Lydia Bentley, and they were the parents of Frances Adams, who became the wife of William I. Piper as above noted. Frances (Adams) Piper died at the age of about fifty-two years.

Frank L. Piper was born at Frankfort, New York, June 8, 1875. His education was begun in the local public schools and he was graduated from the Frankfort High School in the class of 1891. He then entered the employ of the West Shore railroad as a machinist's apprentice, but shortly after the completion of his apprenticeship these shops were discontinued and, going South, he entered the railway shops at Atlanta, Georgia, in the capacity of machinist, remaining there for about four years. Thereafter coming North, Mr. Piper settled permanently in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and entered the employ of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad at their Taunton shops, in the capacity of machinist. This was in 1901, and after about four years in this connection he came to Fall River. Meanwhile, during his stay in Taunton, Mr. Piper was elected president of the local lodge of the International Association of Machinists. In Fall River he was made foreman of the mechanical department of the New York, New Haven & Hartford shops here, in which capacity he served for a period of twelve years. Although he had been active in the industrial world for some time, Mr. Piper determined upon entering the pro-

fession of the law, and during his activity in the employ of this railroad he took up the study of law in 1907, attending the Fall River Evening Law School. Four years later he passed the bar examinations, and on March 1, 1912, was admitted to practice in the courts of Massachusetts. He was soon recognized as a leader of men by the civic authorities; in 1915 he was elected to fill an unexpired term on the Board of Aldermen, and his subsequent re-elections have retained him as a member of this body until the present time. He was elected president of the board in 1920 and still ably fills this exacting position. An exponent of the interests of the people, with long practical experience as a working man, Mr. Piper's activities in this connection are doing much for the practical daily welfare of the civic body, and at the same time, as a leader of this branch of municipal administration, the welfare of the city as a municipality is always foremost in his mind. He gives to his public service the same energy and ability which lifted him from the ranks of the industries to his present influential position, and his activities are contributing in no slight degree to the general welfare. Mr. Piper has few interests outside his work but is a member of Fall River Lodge, No. 219, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is affiliated with the Men's Bible Class of the First Baptist Church, under the direction of Mr. Herrick, which has a membership of more than one thousand men.

Mr. Piper married, June 2, 1913, Kathrine Reynolds, of Fall River, and they have three children: Francis A., Willard R., and Frank L., Jr.

**EDWARD HERBERT, M. D.**—Among the noted specialists of New England Dr. Edward Herbert holds a leading position, and in the treatment of the digestive tract he is considered one of the foremost physicians of the day. His early preparations for his profession were made in the leading institutions of the Eastern States, and he later took exhaustive post graduate courses abroad, thereby greatly adding to his equipment for his work. Dr. Herbert is a son of Edward and Ellen (Grime) Herbert, both natives of England. Edward Herbert came to the United States as a youth in his teens, and, locating in Fall River, Massachusetts, became identified with various business enterprises in this city, winning large success and renown. He was the first president of the Fall River Street Railway system, and his career was one of the highest promise, but it was cut short by death at the age of thirty years. This passing of one of Fall River's most brilliant men at an early age was one of the saddest chapters in the history of this city. Dr. Herbert's mother is still living and resides in Fall River.

Edward Herbert was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, May 8, 1875. His education was begun in the local public schools and he was later graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1895. Subsequently entering Brown University at Providence, Rhode Island, he spent two years



at that institution, then took up his professional work at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University, New York City. From that institution he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine upon his graduation with the class of 1902. Immediately thereafter Dr. Herbert went abroad and spent an entire year at the University of Vienna in special lines of study. In 1903 he returned to Fall River to accept the appointment as district physician offered him by his uncle, George Grime, then mayor of this city. In this responsible position Dr. Herbert served acceptably to all concerned for a period of three years, after which he again went abroad, and spent a year in special work on the digestive organs at the University of Berlin. In 1908, returning to Fall River permanently, Dr. Herbert took up the private practice of medicine, specializing in the treatment of the digestive system, and his success has carried him to a foremost position in the ranks of American specialists. Dr. Herbert is a member of the American Medical Association, the American Roentgen Ray Society, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, and the Fall River Medical Society. Fraternally he is affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. His chief leisure interest is art, and he had accumulated a very valuable collection of paintings and art objects in his beautiful home on the New Boston road. This collection was completely destroyed by the fire which recently burned his house to the ground.

Dr. Herbert married, in 1907, Ellen Sarah Chace, M. D., a graduate of Wellesley College, class of 1894, degree of Bachelor of Science, and a graduate of Johns Hopkins University Medical School, class of 1901, degree of Doctor of Medicine. Mrs. Herbert further studied in Berlin, Germany, and has never practiced her profession since her marriage. She is a daughter of the late George Albert Chace, one of the most prominent textile manufacturers of Fall River for many years. The Chace family is one of the oldest and the most prominent in Fall River, a review of the lives of George Albert Chace and Dr. Fenner A. Chace appearing elsewhere in this work, with genealogical records relative to this name in New England. Mrs. Herbert is a leading figure in civic and social activities in Fall River, a member of the Women's Club, and many other progressive and benevolent organizations. Dr. and Mrs. Herbert are the parents of two children: Edward, Jr., a student at the B. M. C. Durfee High School; and Eleanor, now in the grammar grades.

**REV. JOHN W. MCCARTHY, P. R.**—A gracious presence among the people, his benevolent face beloved by all, his priestly dignity commanding reverence, Father McCarthy, permanent priest of the Church of the Sacred Heart of Fall River, Massachusetts, is a figure of more than passing significance in Bristol county. His career in the sacred offices of the church has covered a period of forty years, and thousands of people remember him or

now look up to him as their spiritual leader and guide. He has ministered to five parishes during his priesthood, and was appointed to his present charge more than twelve years ago. Father McCarthy has done much, not only for the church of which he is the honored pastor, but for the civic advance of Fall River and for the many avenues of advance which coordinate with religious effort. His faithful services here have been crowned with great success, and the recent jubilee, celebrating the half century of progress of the Church of the Sacred Heart, which took place in the fall of 1922, was an event over which it was his joy and privilege to preside.

Coming of very old and honored families of Ireland, through both paternal and maternal lines, Father McCarthy is a son of Thomas and Catherine (Reagan) McCarthy, both natives of County Cork, Ireland, who came to the United States in their youth, crossing the Atlantic in the years 1848 and 1849, and settling in New Bedford, Massachusetts, where they were subsequently married. There they resided until shortly after the birth of their son, then removed to North Easton, Massachusetts, where they spent the remaining years of their lives, and were buried in the little Catholic cemetery of that town. Thomas McCarthy was a landscape gardener by occupation and widely noted for his ability in this field. He was employed at various times by prominent men; notably Congressman Oakes Ames, on whose estate he was active for thirty-five years.

Rev. Father John W. McCarthy was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, August 2, 1858. His education was begun in the public schools of North Easton, and he later covered the usual course in the liberal arts at Boston College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1880, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In the fall of this year he entered Grand Seminary, at Montreal, Quebec, Canada, where he pursued his studies in theology for three and one-half years. He was ordained to the holy priesthood on December 22, 1883, for the diocese of Providence, Rhode Island, by the Most Rev. Charles E. Fabre, arch-bishop of Montreal. Father McCarthy was first appointed as assistant at Sts. Peter and Paul's Cathedral in Providence, Rhode Island; later he was appointed assistant pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Providence, where he served for a period of twelve years. Father McCarthy's devoted labors in these parishes were recognized by Bishop Harkins, bishop of Providence, by an appointment to higher duty, and on September 10, 1895, he entered upon the work of his first pastorate, of the newly organized parish of the Sacred Heart at Woonsocket, Rhode Island. There he established the people as a congregation, purchased an attractive building site and erected a fine church edifice and a rectory in keeping with the church. On February 15, 1901, Father McCarthy was transferred to St. Mary's Church at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, over which he presided for more than a decade. During his pastorate at North At-

tleboro he finished the interior of the church, then in course of erection, his zeal and enthusiasm enabling him to make this interior a costly and very beautiful one. In the year 1910 the entire debt of the church was paid and a fund raised for the erection of a parochial school. He also gave this church a distinguishing feature in the diocese, placing in its tower a chime of ten bells, richly toned and perfectly harmonized. He won an abiding place in the affections of the people of North Attleboro, both Catholic and Protestant, and did a great work in that town.

On May 28, 1911, Father McCarthy was appointed Permanent Rector of the Church of the Sacred Heart at Fall River, where he has since done a beautiful and largely significant work. The history of this church has been one of righteous progress and holy endeavor under the guiding hands of three devoted pastors, Rev. Francis A. Quinn, Rev. Mathias McCabe, who served this church for thirty-seven years, and the present Permanent Rector, Rev. John W. McCarthy. The beginning of the Providence diocese in 1872 saw the setting apart, by Bishop Hendricken of the Church of the Sacred Heart, by a division of St. Mary's Parish in Fall River. The district north of the City Hall was given to the new parish, and Father Quinn was appointed pastor on January 1, 1873. The Grand Army Hall of Second street served as the first meeting place for hte new congregation, which later occupied Mayhew's Hall, the erection of the church edifice meanwhile being carried forward on Linden street. The cornerstone was laid August 31, 1873, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hendricken, with all the usual ceremony. The inscription placed in a metal box in the stone at the southeast corner of the church was as follows: "For the greater glory of God this cornerstone was laid on the thirty-first day of August, 1873, Pope Pius the ninth, having been Supreme Pontiff for 26 years; Ulysses S. Grant being president of the United States; William B. Washburn being governor of the commonwealth."

On October 7, 1883, the church was dedicated by Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hendricken, bishop of Providence, Father McCabe at that time being pastor, the dedicatory sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. Monsignor Capel, one of the most eminent figures of the Catholic clergy in the country at that time, and mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. Michael McCabe, V. G., Father McCabe's brother. The first parish house, which stood on the present site of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, was the old Walter Paine mansion, and was removed to the church lot opposite the church on Linden street. The parochial school was built in 1886, the Mesdames of the Holy Union of the Sacred Hearts being brought from Douay, France, as instructors. The following year, on April 1, 1887, the school was opened, and the Mesdames also opened an academy on Prospect street for the instruction of young women. The parish was raised to the important dignity of a permanent rectorship by Bishop Stang, the first bishop of Fall River in 1906. In May, 1911,

Father McCarthy was appointed Permanent Rector, took up the duties which had become too heavy for the aged Father McCabe, and instituted the great improvements and additions which have characterized his pastorate. The parish seemed waiting for a strong hand to guide the people, and under the new leadership the church has prospered very largely. The zeal, generosity, and devotion of pastor and people led to the bestowal of a great ecclesiastical privilege upon this church. The church was consecrated forever to the service of God on October 12, 1922, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Feehan, the second bishop of Fall River. The occasion of these ceremonies was one of the greatest rejoicing in the congregation, and was celebrated together with another important event in the history of the church, the golden anniversary of the organization of the parish. A new bell, the gift of Rev. John W. Quirk of Taunton, was consecrated with fitting ceremonies on Sunday, September 24, 1922, and placed in the new tower of the church then nearing completion. The inscription of the bell records for all time its significance:

Cor S. S. Jesu—Miserere Nobis! To the Glory of God and in loving memory of His faithful servants, Patrick and Ann Quirk, and their daughter, Miss Mary Quirk, who, for many years, were exemplary members of the Church of the Sacred Heart, Fall River, and whose loyalty and devotion to the church so strongly marked their lives as to merit for all time this memorial of a grateful son, and brother, Rev. John W. Quirk, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Taunton, Mass. October, 1922. Solemnly consecrated September 18, 1922, by the Rt. Rev. Daniel F. Feehan, D. D., Second Bishop of Fall River; Rev. John W. McCarthy, Permanent Rector of the Sacred Heart Church; Rev. Charles R. Smith, Rev. John J. Sullivan, Rev. John H. McCann, assistants.

Rev. Lorenzo McCarthy's masterly sermon on this occasion was at once a eulogy of the work of early pioneers and a challenge to higher spiritual attainment today. The consecration of the bell was followed almost coincidentally with the Golden Jubilee of the church. Throughout the city the people of the church were felicitated by all, whether of like faith or not, and a leading newspaper of Fall River, in addition to devoting entire pages to the occasion, commented editorially as follows:

One of the most glorious events in the religious history of the city will be the consecration tomorrow of the beautiful Church of the Sacred Heart on Linden street—the day when Holy Mother Church will anoint the walls of this edifice with the Holy Chrism and pour forth her prayers and invocations.

It is eminently fitting also that this exceptional ceremony of consecration be accompanied by the observance of the Golden Jubilee of the parish—a most sacred and solemn occasion. The Church of the Sacred Heart, its priests and people, jubilarians and new comers, are exercising a power for real good in this community, and all who have come within the sphere of her influence have been blessed spiritually and materially.

The history of the parish of the Sacred Heart is teeming with meritorious effort and beneficent achievement. The loyalty of the people of the Sacred Heart has never been questioned; they have been and are today a people of unflinching faith, and they have gloried in their unselfish sacrifices of years past, and are still prepared to make further sacrifices if need be.

The seed planted there many years ago has borne fruit abundant, as evidenced by the marvelous growth of this community. From a humble beginning the parish of the Sacred Heart has thrived and prospered, until today this beautiful



temple about to be consecrated stands among the foremost of the many magnificent structures in the Fall River diocese.

Truly the Church of the Sacred Heart is a citadel of the real faith, made strong and enduring by the Christian practices of her children, and is now to be consecrated in all the beauty and glory befitting her power and worth.

It is likewise a day of rejoicing for the Rev. John W. McCarthy, the irremovable rector, whose indefatigable zeal and untiring labors have made possible this day of glorification. The consecration of his church is the crowning reward for duty well done labor well performed, of most worthy effort and of the cooperation of a generous, trusted and faithful people.

The church was consecrated at 5 a. m. by Rt. Rev. Bishop Feehan. The consecration was solemnized on October 12, 1922, at the Pontifical Mass at 11 a. m., celebrated by the Rt. Rev. George Caruann, D. D., bishop of Porto Rico. At this wonderful event every parish of the diocese of Fall River was represented by its pastor and others of the laity. Many priests from the neighboring diocese of Providence were present, also from the arch-diocese of Boston, and many heads of Catholic institutions throughout New England. The event will never be forgotten by those whose privilege it was to witness the stately and solemn ceremonies, and their significance both to the church and to the community is one of lasting inspiration.

Sunday, the 15th of October, of the year of our Lord 1922, was devoted to the rejoicings of the Golden Jubilee services, in which every participant felt not only the happiness of the great good accomplished by the church, but the solemn obligation to go forward with even greater sacrifice and effort, which the recent consecration of the church had impressed upon them. In his leadership of this congregation Father McCarthy has not only led and taught his people, but through his ceaseless watchcare and his own tireless devotion to duty has inspired them to ever higher spiritual aspirations. Yet his humility as the servant of God makes him one with his people, and he is beloved among them. Unselfish, his constant thought is for others, his only ambition to uphold and advance the majesty of his adored church, Father McCarthy is going forward with the true spirit of consecration and Christian zeal.

**WILLIAM M. SULLIVAN, A. B., A. M.**—An outstanding figure in the younger legal group in Fall River, Massachusetts, is William M. Sullivan, whose educational preparations for his career were broadly comprehensive and included study abroad. Mr. Sullivan's name is far more widely known, however, through his services in the World War, and as Lieutenant Sullivan he is widely prominent and as widely popular. Mr. Sullivan is a son of Cornelius and Julia (Murphy) Sullivan, his father a native of County Cork, Ireland, coming to the United States as a youth of about eighteen years and settling in Fall River. He is still (1923) living at an advanced age, although now retired from business. The mother was also born in Ireland, coming to the United States as a small child with her parents. She died in 1919.

William M. Sullivan was born in Fall River,

Massachusetts, January 8, 1891. His education was begun in the local public schools and he is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1909. Thereafter entering Brown University, Mr. Sullivan was graduated from that institution in the class of 1913, receiving both the Bachelor's and Master's degree in Arts. Thereafter entering Harvard University Law School, he won the Rhodes Scholarship at the end of the first year and in 1914 he went to England as a member of Hon. Herbert Hoover's commission for Belgian relief. In this capacity Mr. Sullivan was awarded a bronze medal by the Belgian Government, and while abroad he entered Oxford University, which institution he attended for two years and a half, studying for the advanced degree of Bachelor of Civil Law. The intervention of the United States in European affairs interrupted his studies, and returning to this country Mr. Sullivan enlisted in the United States Army in August, 1917. He was detailed to the Officers' Training School at Plattsburg, New York, where he received a commission as first lieutenant in the following November. In December, 1917, Lieutenant Sullivan sailed for France and was assigned after his arrival to the First Division, American Expeditionary Forces. For a time he served as acting-adjutant of the Third Battalion, but he later served with the 35th Division, and still later was assigned to the judge advocate's department of the Army. In July, 1919, he returned to the United States, landing in New York on July 15, and on the 15th of the following month received his honorable discharge from the service. Returning to his home in Fall River, Lieutenant Sullivan took the law examinations of his native State in January, 1920, and was admitted to the bar in March of the same year. He at once opened his office in the Waldorf building, where he is still actively engaged in practice, and in even this comparatively short time he has won marked distinction in his chosen field of endeavor. Always broadly interested in every phase of public advance, Mr. Sullivan has been unofficially active in political affairs since attaining his majority, and in the elections of 1921 and again in 1922 he was brought forward as a candidate for mayor of Fall River. Mr. Sullivan is a member of the American Legion and is otherwise fraternally affiliated with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. He is considered one of the able and aggressive young attorneys of Fall River.

**FRANK M. WILBUR**—As a leader in the profession of optometry in Taunton, Massachusetts, Frank M. Wilbur is bearing a very important and useful part in the public welfare, and at the same time is achieving a gratifying measure of success. A member of a family long identified with the industrial and commercial life of this city, Mr. Wilbur is a son of Francis M. Wilbur, who was born in Taunton and is a silversmith by trade. The elder man is the oldest employee in point of service of the Reed and Barton Silver Company of Taun-

ton, holding this honored position by virtue of fifty-six years of continuous service with this concern. In his youth Francis M. Wilbur was a member of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. He married Adaline A. Elms, of North Lakeville, Massachusetts, who is also still living.

Frank M. Wilbur was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, August 6, 1887. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he later took a special course at the Bristol County Business School, after which he turned to his chosen line of professional endeavor and entered the Foster School of Optometry in Boston. Thereafter, Mr. Wilbur attended Tufts Medical College, taking special work bearing upon his future activities in this field, and with such fine preparation for his life-work, he opened an office in Taunton, locating first at No. 18 Broadway. Continuing there until the United States intervened in war conditions in Europe, Mr. Wilbur then enlisted in the army. He was first assigned to the Depot Brigade and stationed at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, after which he attended the Non-Commissioned Officers' School, and was transferred to Camp Hancock, Georgia, to the Central Machine Gun Officers' Training Camp. He received his honorable discharge from the service with the rank of corporal, and returned to the activities of civilian life. Resuming the practice of his profession, with offices in the Taylor building, in Taunton, Mr. Wilbur has continued there since, with large and constantly increasing success. Always a close student of everything relevant to his work, Mr. Wilbur is always advancing in it, and he is recognized as an authority in his field.

Fraternally, Mr. Wilbur is affiliated with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Taunton Boat Club, of the Massachusetts Society of Optometrists, of the American Optometric Association, and of the American Legion. He has a baritone voice of unusually fine quality and range, and for some years has been a leader in local musical circles. He was formerly bass soloist at the Winslow Congregational Church, but is now a member of the Unitarian church quartette.

**WILLIAM L. KING**—As manufacturers of gold jewelry for both men and women, the firm of E. D. Gilmore & Company, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, holds front rank in this center of jewelry manufacture, and as one of the executive heads of this enterprise, William L. King is a noteworthy figure in the industrial life of this city. Mr. King is a member of an old family of Massachusetts, prominent in Rehoboth for generations, and his father, William A. King, was born in Rehoboth. William A. King became one of the foremost citizens of Rehoboth and was active in business life as well as in the industrial world of that section. A machinist by trade, he was on the school committee of the town of Rehoboth for many years,

and his influence for civic and social advance was one of the most noteworthy forces of his day and generation in local affairs. In 1868 he was a member of the General Court from his district. The mother, Mary L. (Peck) King, was also born in Rehoboth, and survived her husband for a number of years, passing away in 1905. The Peck family is also a very old and distinguished one of Bristol county.

William L. King was born at Rehoboth, Massachusetts, November 4, 1860. Receiving a practical training for his career in the public schools of his birthplace, Mr. King first entered the business world in the employ of Bliss Brothers & Everett, manufacturing jewelers of Attleboro, Massachusetts, where he learned the trade. After six years in this connection Mr. King went to Providence, Rhode Island, where he was active in the employ of Arnold & Steere, a leading jewelry firm, for about five years. Returning to Attleboro, Mr. King entered the employ of E. D. Gilmore & Company, manufacturing jewelers of this place, and in 1900 became a member of the firm. He has been connected with this enterprise continuously until the present time and has been a definite factor in the development and success of the enterprise. This concern was established in 1891 by Ernest D. Gilmore and Edwin T. Bright, their first location having been at No. 9 Maiden lane, Attleboro. They later removed to the old steam power building, then, in 1906, removed to their present location at No. 54 Union street. Here they occupy one entire floor, employing about forty people, and send their products to all parts of the United States and Canada. They manufacture gold jewelry only and are one of the best known concerns in this country in this field. Mr. King has risen in the organization to a position of large executive responsibility. He is a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association; the Associated Industries of Massachusetts; and the Jewelers' Board of Trade. He has further business affiliations which link his name with some of the most important institutions of Bristol county, being a director of the First National Bank of Attleboro; vice-president of the Attleborough Savings and Loan Association; trustee of the Attleborough Savings Bank; and a director and formerly vice-president of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce.

In every phase of community and social advance Mr. King takes the deepest interest, and his long prominence in business and financial affairs very naturally led to his being sought as an executive in those interests which have more closely to do with the daily welfare of the people. A Republican by political affiliation, he has never sought political honors, but public responsibility has been entrusted to him on many occasions. He is secretary of the Associated Charities of Attleboro; is a trustee of the public library; also a trustee of the Richardson School Fund; and the Horton Fund. During the World War he gave largely of his time and energies toward the success of the many home war







*Thomas Chew.*

activities, and was a leader in Liberty Loan drives and Red Cross work throughout the entire period of the war. Fraternally Mr. King is widely known, being a member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Nava Grotto. Has been grand principal conductor of the work of the Grand Council of Massachusetts. He is a member of Orient Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Attleboro, and also a member of the G. M. Horton Encampment of this order. He is affiliated further with Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and is a member and past secretary of the Company C Republican Club. Always interested in religious progress and a supporter of religious effort, he attends the Second Congregational Church, which he serves as a trustee.

William L. King married, on June 24, 1890, Annie E. Gilmore, of Wrentham, Massachusetts, daughter of George R. and Emmeline L. (Barrows) Gilmore. The father, who was born in Franklin, Massachusetts, was a manufacturer of straw goods, and died in the prime of life in 1881. The mother, who was born at Foxboro, Massachusetts, died in 1891. The King residence is at No. 45 Holden street.

**HON. THOMAS F. HIGGINS**—A leader of professional advance in Fall River, Massachusetts, and no less prominent in public life, Hon. Thomas F. Higgins is one of those citizens whose activities in every realm contribute materially to the general welfare. Mr. Higgins has won a position of large success, and his ability as a lawyer has given him extensive influence. A progressive and forward looking citizen, the community, the State and in its degree the nation have benefited by his experience and ability, and he is looked upon as broadly representative of the best type of American citizenship. Mr. Higgins is a son of John and Anne (Eagan) Higgins, both natives of Ireland, where they were reared and married. They came to the United States in the year 1866, locating in Rutland, Vermont, and some five or six years later they removed to Berkeley, Rhode Island, eventually in 1892 settling permanently in Fall River, where both died. The father, who was a marble cutter, lived to the age of about seventy-three years, but the mother passed away at the comparatively early age of forty-eight years.

Thomas F. Higgins was born at Berkeley, Rhode Island, October 2, 1880. His education was begun in the public schools of that community and he later attended the public schools of Fall River. In September, 1898, he took up his legal studies under the preceptorship of Frank A. Pease of this city and read law in his offices. He was admitted to the bar of Massachusetts in January, 1902, and directly afterward took up the practice of law in his present offices in the Granite Block. Going forward independently for five years, Mr. Higgins

formed a partnership with Judge Edward F. Hanify, which endured over a period of four years. Then, in 1911, Mr. Higgins was elected mayor of Fall River and appointed Mr. Hanify city solicitor. In the year 1912 Judge Hanify was elevated to the bench and Mr. Higgins served as chief executive of the city for two years, following which he was appointed police commissioner of Fall River by Governor David I. Walsh. Mr. Higgins' professional advance and public endeavors have thus been parallel lines of progress and significant to the general welfare of the people. He served as police commissioner during the years 1914-1916 inclusive, and his work in this office did much for the maintenance of law and order and for the permanent security of the people. Meanwhile Mr. Higgins was elected, in the year 1906, to the Massachusetts State Legislature from the Ninth District of Bristol county, and served one term. He has since devoted his attention to the private practice of law and his success well appraises his ability and his sincere endeavors. His gifts as an orator are of a very high order and he is counted a convincing and logical advocate. Possessing a profound knowledge of the law, his wisdom as a counsellor has carried him to success through many trying and deeply involved litigations. Mr. Higgins in his more personal interests is affiliated with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Fall River Council, No. 86, Knights of Columbus. His clubs are the Fall River Country and the Quequechan.

Mr. Higgins married, June 27, 1918, Nora E. Madden of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Higgins are the parents of two children: Nora Eileen, and Thomas F., Jr.

**THOMAS CHEW**—In a position of large social significance Thomas Chew is doing great work in Fall River, Massachusetts, as superintendent of the Boys' Club of this city. A native of England but for many years a resident of the United States, Mr. Chew is giving to his present activities not only the sincere endeavors of a progressive and broadly benevolent spirit, but the practical ability of the natural executive and the ceaseless vigilance of the man of affairs. Mr. Chew is a son of John and Jane (Longworth) Chew, who came to United States in the year 1873 as a family, locating in Fall River, Massachusetts. Here the father was identified with the textile industry until his death.

Thomas Chew was born in Lancashire, England, September 16, 1861, and was twelve years of age when he came to this country. His formal education was very limited and was acquired in the national schools of his native land. From his eighth year, however, he was employed in the mills of Lancashire, England, working one-half day in the mills and attending school one-half day. He never attended school in America. Entering the mills at Fall River, Massachusetts, immediately after his arrival here, possessing the mind of a student and always alert to every phase of advance, Mr. Chew

has accumulated large funds of practical information, and through discriminating reading has supplemented his early studies with a broadly practical and really liberal education. Mr. Chew was identified with the textile industry in Fall River until his twenty-eighth year, when he left the mills to accept a position as janitor of the Young Men's Christian Association building. Upon the organization of the Boys' Club of Fall River, which took place February 1, 1890, Mr. Chew was associated in that event with Rev. E. A. Buck, familiarly known as "Father Buck," who was chosen president of the club. Mr. Chew was made superintendent, and through his efforts in this position he has since become internationally known.

The history of the Fall River Boys' Club is a fascinating story. It was organized and established in a room in Third street, lighted by six reflection lights, the furnishings including the following: a piano, twelve ordinary tables with benches scattered about them, a few mottoes on the walls, a little railing to form a library in one corner, where a bookcase contained 200 books and 65 games, a small partition forming a toilet room in another corner, this equipment furnished with two small basins and a roller towel. Such was the first meeting place of the Boys' Club and here it was carried forward for several years. Today two of the most modern club buildings in Fall River, Massachusetts, are devoted to the interests of this organization. The building on Anawan street cost \$100,000 in the year 1897, when the expense of building operation was practically at its lowest ebb. The Pocasset street building, which was erected ten years later, cost \$150,000. The club also owns a farm of two hundred and thirty acres in Free-town, Massachusetts, where the boys take their summer outings. The membership of the club today numbers about 3,500 and in the work, which has been the avowed purpose of the club since its inception, of training the boys of the mill districts to become useful members of society, it has accomplished wonders. The organization has attracted the attention, not only of social workers throughout the United States, but in foreign countries as well, and the name of Thomas Chew is a widely familiar one in all circles interested in club activities for boys. It is hardly necessary to say that Mr. Chew has given to his work in this connection the most earnest endeavors and the most devoted service. He is always in close personal touch with the members, and the problems and hardships of his own boyhood form a bond in common with the lads of today, who, through lack of advantages, find themselves handicapped in their start in life. Mr. Chew's personal friendship forms an influence for the establishing of courage and faith in the hearts of the young boys of the city, who might otherwise grow up to careless or vicious lives, and it is no more than a truism to state his influence has been great among them and has contributed in a large degree to the social uplift of the city. Outside of his work in this connection

Mr. Chew has scarcely any interests, but is a member of Mt. Hope Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, with which he has been identified for thirty years, and he is a member and a deacon of the First Congregational Church of Fall River, Massachusetts.

Mr. Chew married, November 30, 1882, Janet Dougan of Fall River, Massachusetts and they are the parents of eight children: Ada, a trained nurse, now with the United States Navy in the Philippine Islands; Isabelle, wife of John Grady of Fall River; James, manager of the Boys' Club farm in Free-town; George, a book-binder of Norwood, Massachusetts; Alexander, a machinist of Fall River; Harriet, wife of James F. Sullivan and her father's assistant in this work; Ruth, wife of John L. Sherlog of Providence, Rhode Island; and Janet, a graduate of Brown University, class of 1923, degree of Bachelor of Arts, who is still at home, but a teacher at Bridgewater.

**SAMUEL SANDLER, M. D.**—The career of Dr. Samuel Sandler of Fall River, Massachusetts, has been marked by a rapid rise from obscurity to his present responsible position as city physician of Fall River, which, added to his extensive and constantly growing practice, places him among the leading physicians and surgeons of the day in Bristol county. Dr. Sandler is a son of Max and Hannah (Wheeler) Sandler, both natives of Russia, who came to this country in 1891, locating in Fall River. The father was for a number of years active in business as a dry goods merchant in this city and is now retired, still residing in Fall River and enjoying the well earned leisure which should naturally follow a life of energy and thrift. The mother died in May, 1921.

Samuel Sandler was born in Kiev, Russia, February 19 1886. Coming directly to Fall River, Massachusetts, in March, 1891, with his parents in his early childhood, it was in the public schools there that his education was begun. He is a graduate of the N. B. Borden Grammar School, 1900, and the B. M. C. Durfee High School of Fall River, class of 1904. Although he was only eighteen years of age, Dr. Sandler entered Tufts College Medical School of Boston, from which he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine in the class of 1908. Following his graduation Dr. Sandler served an internship of one year in Hale Hospital at Haverhill, Massachusetts. In the year 1909 he came to Fall River and entered private practice, quickly winning his way to a position of dignity in the community, and commanding the esteem and confidence of the people. In 1913 he was appointed city physician of Fall River, in this appointment winning this distinction of being the youngest physician ever appointed to this office in Fall River. His four successive reappointments have given him the further distinction of serving the longest continuous period of any appointee. In his capacity as city physician Dr. Sandler is ex-officio chairman of the local board of health and his activities in this



connection are broadly beneficial to the people. His close attention to the responsibilities placed in his charge has done much to control the diseases which creep insidiously into any municipality and which, unchecked, are such a fearful menace to the public health and security. He further serves on the staff of both local hospitals as urologist and also on the State Approved Venereal Clinic, of which at this time he is in charge. Dr. Sandler is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, and the Fall River Medical Society, and is also interested in the business world of Fall River. He is treasurer of the Franklin Realty Company, owners of the Franklin Office building, and is president of the Rialto Amusement Company of Fall River. In political affairs he supports the Republican party, and fraternally is identified with Mt. Hope Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Azab Grotto, B'Nai B'rith, and is a member of the Jewish synagogue.

Dr. Sandler married, February 16, 1913, Lottie Bloom of Fall River.

**CHARLES THOMAS PAYE**—To enumerate all of the splendid activities which were called into being or aided to a condition of greater usefulness by Charles Thomas Paye would require much more space than can be given here, but it can be said, with truth, that no worthy or deserving cause ever failed to enlist his hearty coöperation. He was active in town affairs, and his influence was always on the side of good government. During the war he plunged whole-souled into war activities and worked unceasingly to make the various Liberty loans and other drives successful. It was largely through his efforts that the Red Cross reached the tremendous importance that it did in North Attleboro, and during the influenza epidemic he gave freely of his time and means to help the afflicted. He was chairman of the first public safety committee appointed for North Attleboro, was deeply interested in the Industrial School, and served his town officially. In fact, he was identified with every civic improvement or charitable movement. He was of English parentage, a son of John E. and Jane (Davies) Paye, both born in England. His father was for a time a landscape gardener, who at the time of the birth of their son, Charles T., were residing in Providence, Rhode Island.

Charles T. Paye was born in Providence, Rhode Island, January 11, 1874, and died in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, September 15, 1919, having been a resident of North Attleboro since 1893. He was educated in the Public schools of Providence and the Rhode Island School of Design of the same city, and after leaving school became identified with the jewelry business, remaining in Providence until about 1902, then removed to North Attleboro, Massachusetts, with the business, which has since grown to large proportions. This business, started in Providence under the firm name of Simmons & Paye, was moved to North Attleboro, Massachusetts, where it was first housed in the

building at No. 104 Richards avenue, where they continue, but now occupy the entire building, the services of one hundred and thirty hands being necessary to keep pace with the demand for the products of the plant—sterling silver hollow-ware and plated novelties. The firm is now the corporation of the Paye & Baker Manufacturing Company, Charles T. Paye having been its president until his death. The company has had a prosperous career, their product going to all parts of the United States, and in addition they do a large export business. Mr. Paye was one of the hard-working and efficient members of the New England Jewelers and Silversmiths' Association, and held several positions of trust in that body. He held high place in the business life of his community, and in addition to the presidency of the Paye & Baker Manufacturing Company was president of the North Attleboro Chronicle Company, and a trustee of the Attleborough Savings Bank.

In politics Mr. Paye was a Republican and a strong party worker. He was a member of the committee under whose direction the sewerage system was constructed in North Attleboro, and later was appointed a member of the board of sewer commissioners. He was president of the local Red Cross Chapter and received from the government an official recognition of the value of his services and those of the chapter during the war with Germany, 1917-1918. He was a member of Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; also the City Club, of Boston; the West Side Club, of Providence, Rhode Island; a vice-president of the Home Market Club, of Boston; and a member of St. Stephen's Protestant Episcopal Church, of Providence, Rhode Island.

Charles T. Paye married, on November 18, 1901, Lillian G. Bigelow, of Ossining, New York, daughter of Francis Drake and Angeline L. (Thayer) Bigelow, her father, a shoe manufacturer, born in South Natick, Massachusetts, her mother born in East Douglass, Massachusetts. To Mr. and Mrs. Paye a son, Carter Bigelow Paye, was born, in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, June 11, 1909.

**HAROLD EDWARD CLARKIN, LL.B.**—In professional activities, in public service, and in industrial advance, Harold Edward Clarkin, of Fall River, Massachusetts, is holding a leading position and contributing in a definite degree to the welfare and progress of the municipality. Mr. Clarkin comes of an old Massachusetts family, and is a son of James and Delia (Carney) Clarkin. James Clarkin, who was born in Blackstone, Massachusetts, is a locomotive engineer by occupation, and holds a very responsible position with the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company, running between New York and Boston.

Harold Edward Clarkin was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, July 23, 1890, the family removing to Fall River while he was still a child. His education was begun in the schools of this city, and he is a graduate of B. M. C. Durfee High School, in the class of 1909. In the fall of the same year Mr. Clarkin entered the Boston University School of Law, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Shortly thereafter, passing his law examinations, Mr. Clarkin was admitted to the bar on September 12, 1912, and in the following

November took up the practice of his chosen profession in Fall River. He was first associated with Judge Edward F. Hanify, now judge of the Second District Court of Bristol county. On the elevation of Judge Hanify to the bench, which occurred only a few months later, Mr. Clarkin associated himself with Thomas F. Higgin, at that time mayor of Fall River, and for two years this partnership endured. It was then dissolved, and for a time Mr. Clarkin practiced independently, then formed a partnership with the Hon. William C. Crossley, under the firm name of Clarkin & Crossley. After four years of profitable affiliations this partnership was also dissolved, and Mr. Clarkin is again active in independent practice. He is a member of the American Bar Association and stands high in the profession, being looked upon as one of the leading young men of the day in Bristol county in legal circles. Interested for a number of years in the industrial world of Fall River, Mr. Clarkin, in 1919, acquired considerable stock in the Old Colony Cut Glass Corporation, and became president and treasurer of this company. He also became sole proprietor of the Friction Roller Cloth Company, manufacturers of roller cloth, used in spinning frames and carding frames in the cotton industry. Mr. Clarkin's prominence in the professional world and his success both there and in manufacturing interests brought him, more or less, into the public notice of necessity, and on February 28, 1923, he assumed the duties to which he had been appointed by Mayor Talbot, as chairman of the board of fire commissioners of Fall River. Mr. Clarkin has done much in an entirely unofficial way to forward the fire prevention movement, which has in recent years been one of the most significant steps in public advance achieved in this city. Fraternally affiliated with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and with the Knights of Columbus, Mr. Clarkin is prominent in club circles, and is a member of the Rotary, Quequechan and Fall River Country clubs. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart.

Mr. Clarkin married, in November, 1914, Alice T. O'Neil, of Fall River.

**ORVILLE P. (2) RICHARDSON**—The pioneer insurance firm of Attleboro, Massachusetts, is the firm of H. K. & O. P. Richardson, for many years doing business under the title of O. P. Richardson & Sons. Orville P. Richardson, son of the former head and now the head of this concern, is one of the foremost business executives of this city, a leader in insurance circles and active in many branches of advance. Mr. Richardson is a son of Orville P. Richardson, who was born at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, June 5, 1851, and was a graduate of Attleboro High School. He was a prominent figure in military circles in the State of Massachusetts, serving as second lieutenant of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia in an Attleboro regiment. One of the insurance men of this city, he carried the interest which he founded to a large success and to an important position in the business world of Bristol county. He was a leading figure in Masonic circles; a trustee of the Richardson School Fund, and socially prominent. He married, in December, 1877, Bertha K. Smith, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, and they were the parents of four children: M. Louise, wife of H. S.

Wilmarth; Harold K.; Orville P. (2), of further mention; and Carlton S. Mr. Richardson died in March, 1920.

Orville P. (2) Richardson, second son and third child of these parents, was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, January 6, 1890. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Attleboro High School in the class of 1907. He later entered Brown University, in the class of 1911. Following the completion of his studies, Mr. Richardson became associated with his father in the insurance business in Attleboro, and in the year 1911 was made a member of the firm of O. P. Richardson & Sons. This organization continued under the management of the former head until his death, and thereafter the name was unchanged until 1922, when the firm of H. K. & O. P. Richardson was adopted. The founder of this concern was H. N. Richardson, an uncle of the brothers, who now form the partnership. Establishing the interest in the year 1869, he later received as partner a Mr. Ingraham, and for a time the firm name was known as Draggett & Richardson. In 1878, Orville P. Richardson, Sr., took over the interest and conducted it under his own name until 1911, when he received into partnership his two sons, Harold K. and Orville P. (2), now the owners of the business. This concern not only enjoys the distinction of being the oldest insurance company of Attleboro but is further distinguished by being the first insurance agency in the world to adopt the use of the typewriter for the writing of policies. Mr. Richardson is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and in political affairs supports the Republican party. Fraternally he is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; also Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the West Side Club of Attleboro, also a member and director of the Highland Country Club, and his religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Richardson married, on September 22, 1915, Helen Keeler, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Charles P. and Ada G. (Bullock) Keeler, of Attleboro, her father a manufacturing jeweler of this city. They are the parents of two children: Orville P. (3), born April 27, 1917; and Cynthia, born April 12, 1919.

**CHARLES W. CHURCH**—A leading name in commercial activities in Taunton, Massachusetts, is that of Charles W. Church, whose position as the head of the T. L. & J. H. Church Coal Company places him in the front rank of business progress in Bristol county. A man of large energy and conspicuous business ability, Mr. Church has won an enviable position in his chosen line of business endeavor, and possessing also a broad appreciation of the privileges and duties of citizenship, he bears a useful, although unostentatious, part in the public advance. Mr. Church is a son of Joseph H. Church, one of the founders of this business, who was born in Taunton, and died in 1911. He was a man of the strictest integrity and of progressive spirit, and with his death the community sustained a loss which was not readily filled. The mother, Charlotte F. (Williams) Church, was born in Nantucket, Massachusetts, and is still living.



Charles W. Church was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, May 31, 1880. Receiving his early education in the local public schools of this city, he was graduated from Taunton High School in the class of 1899. Upon the completion of his education Mr. Church identified himself with his father in the coal business and has been a member of this firm continuously since. This business was established in the year 1864 by T. L. & J. H. Church, and since its founding has been located at the present address, No. 494 Weir street. This is probably the oldest concern of its kind in Bristol county, and it is now one of the most important. Upon the death of his father, Charles W. Church took sole control of the business, and since he has stood at the head he has materially increased its scope and importance. Possessing marked business ability and the practical capacity for details which counts for so much in any mechanical field, Mr. Church is a thoroughly representative business man of the day in Taunton, and is highly esteemed both by his associates and the people generally. A supporter of the Republican party in all affairs of a political nature, both local and of a wider import, Mr. Church served as a member of the Common Council of Taunton from Ward Six and as alderman from the same ward for one year. He is a member of the Old Colony Historical Society, and the Winthrop and Bristol clubs, and is affiliated with the Trinitarian church.

Mr. Church married, in June, 1914, Mary E. Rowley, of Connecticut, daughter of Waldo and Elizabeth Rowley, and they are the parents of two children: Joseph H., born in 1915; and Elizabeth, born in 1918.

**EDWARD LESTER MERRITT, M. D.**—As a member of Truesdale Clinic of Fall River, Massachusetts, specializing in urology, Dr. Edward Lester Merritt is taking a leading position in professional circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, today. One of the younger men of the profession, he is looked upon as one of the broadly promising physicians of this city, and his present activities place him in the forefront of progress. His military service during the World War spelled for him breadth of experience, and he is going forward undoubtedly to large success. He is a son of William Parker and Cora Mabelle (Westgate) Merritt. William Parker Merritt is a native of New Jersey and is now superintendent of the Brightman Street Bridge of Fall River, after a career as mill engineer in the cotton industry. The mother was born in Fall River and is also still living.

Edward Lester Merritt was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, May 3, 1894. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1913. Entering Tufts College Medical School in the fall of the same year, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1917 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. His senior year, in addition to his college work, he spent at the Boston Dispensary, doing special work in urology, in association with Dr. Chute and Dr. Crosby. Dr. Merritt also spent four months at the Jewish Maternity Hospital at Boston, then for six months thereafter he substituted in the Union Hospital in Fall River. On May 3, 1917, Dr. Merritt enlisted in the United States Navy Medical Corps, having been given

his degree two months prior to the scheduled time for graduation; and for two and one-half years had charge of the Urological Service at the United States Naval Hospital at Newport, Rhode Island. He entered upon his activities as a lieutenant, junior grade, and was promoted to lieutenant in July, 1918, receiving his discharge December 8, 1919, with the same rank. In October, 1919, about two months prior to his discharge from the service, Dr. Merritt came to Fall River and established his office at No. 284 Bank street. He was later appointed urologist at Union Hospital, where he served until June, 1921, when he resigned to become a member of Truesdale Clinic, and urologist at Truesdale Hospital (q.v.), in which connection he still serves. Dr. Merritt's ability is recognized widely in the profession, as well as among the people, and it is confidently believed that his future will be one of brilliant achievement. He is a member of the American Medical Association, of the Association of Military Surgeons, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, and a member and secretary of the Fall River Medical Society. He is a member of the American Urological Association and the New England Urological Society, also Delta Chapter of the Phi Chi Medical fraternity. Fraternally Dr. Merritt is a member of King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and affiliated with the First Congregational Church, of Fall River. He is a member of Fetherdic Tennis Club, Quequechan Club, and Fall River Yacht Club.

Dr. Merritt married, July 14, 1917, Lois Roth Ramsay of Fall River, and they have one daughter, Mary Elizabeth.

**HON. BENJAMIN FERRING**—Achieving his position in life largely through his own efforts, Hon. Benjamin Ferring, of Fall River, Massachusetts, has won a position of large success in the profession of the law, and as a public servant has demonstrated marked ability. Born in the West and with business experience in various sections, he came to Fall River a number of years ago, and has here gone forward as a professional man, commanding the respect and confidence of all who know him. Mr. Ferring is a son of Theodore and Irene (Benning) Ferring, for many years residents of the State of Minnesota. Theodore Ferring was born in England and came to the United States as a young man soon after the close of the Civil War. He located in Minnesota, where he took up a homestead of 160 acres, and there the active years of his life were spent.

Benjamin Ferring was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, February 19, 1878. His education was received in the public and high schools, Winona Normal School, and the University of Minnesota. His studies were largely financed by his own efforts, and he began teaching in 1899. In the year 1900 he accepted a position in the Virginia Business College at Richmond, Virginia, as a teacher in commercial branches. Coming to Fall River, he secured a position as instructor in the Thibodeau Business College of this city, with which he was associated for ten years. During seven years of this period Mr. Ferring was principal of the bookkeeping department of this institution, and about 1905 he acquired an appreciable financial interest in the school, which he still retains. During his activity as an instructor in this institution Mr. Ferring read law and

taught commercial law, and on March 10, 1910, after a special course covering a period of six months at the Fall River Evening Law School, he was admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts. In the following month he became associated with Arthur S. Phillips in the practice of law, remaining for four years, since which time he has practiced independently, with offices in the Granite Block. He has been largely successful, not only as a practicing lawyer, but in the world of men of affairs as a man among men. The wide familiarity with business and professional people of Fall River, gained through his activities as a business college instructor, has placed him among the very widely known men of the day, and his professional success has given him very high standing in the community. Of late years Mr. Ferring has become interested in real estate matters, and at the present time (1923) owns considerable property in the city. In 1913 he was elected to the Massachusetts State Legislature as a representative from the city of Fall River, and he served for one term. His work in this connection was eminently useful and progressive, and his services as a legislator were such as reflected credit upon his constituency. Fraternally Mr. Ferring is affiliated with Mt. Vernon Lodge, Knights of Pythias; Loyal Order of Moose, and the Sons of St. George. Mr. Ferring is a well known member of the Wetmore Yacht Club. He is active in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he has been a member for years, and he is affiliated with the Central Congregational Church.

Mr. Ferring married, June 20, 1906, Emma E. Read, formerly of Boston, but at that time a resident of Fall River.

**DWIGHT S. WARING, A.B.**—In the cotton yarn branch of the textile industry of Fall River, Massachusetts, Dwight S. Waring is a prominent figure as a member of the brokerage firm of G. H. Waring & Company of this city. With practical training for his present activities and the comprehensive grasp of the industry gained by extensive experience, Mr. Waring is a practical man in a position of large responsibility, and is accordingly useful to the organization, of which he is a leading executive, and also to the advance of the cotton textile industry in New England. He is a son of Thomas B. and Margaret A. (Birch) Waring, natives of England, and both brought to the United States by their parents in infancy, the two families settling in Fall River.

Thomas B. Waring was educated in the public schools of Fall River. In young manhood he was employed by John D. Flint, who was engaged in the furniture business. At the age of twenty-one he established in the same line of work, in conjunction with the undertaking business, in partnership with Baldwin & Westgate, a leading furniture and undertaking firm of Fall River. Later he engaged in business on his own account, and erected the building now occupied by Cobb, Bates & Yerxa, on South Main street, then the second largest building on that street. In this location, and with space for expansion, the business developed largely, Mr. Waring becoming a leader in the house furnishing field, as well as in undertaking, until the year 1886, when he retired from active participation in the

affairs of the firm. Meanwhile he had become a very extensive owner of real estate in Fall River and vicinity, and the management of his property gave him opportunity to retain some interest in business progress until his death, which occurred February 20, 1910. The mother survived him until the year 1914.

Dwight S. Waring was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, December 18, 1882. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1902. Later entering Dartmouth College, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1906, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. Waring's first business experience was as manager of the New York office of Eddy & Street, of Providence, Rhode Island, commission merchants in cotton yarns, and in this connection he had charge of the New York territory. He later became identified with Fearing, Whiton & Company, of Boston, a leading firm of commission merchants handling cotton yarns and cotton duck. In the year 1910 Dwight S. Waring formed an affiliation with his brothers, George H. Waring, who was then engaged in the cotton and cloth business in Fall River, and T. Edward Waring, who had for some years been associated with James E. Mitchell & Company, of Philadelphia. Under the firm name of George H. Waring & Company the three brothers developed a widely important interest in the brokerage and commission business of cotton, cotton yarns and cotton cloth. Mr. Waring has won national prominence as manager of the cotton yarn department of this organization, and his executive ability and broad vision have been definite factors in the present success of the enterprise. T. Edward Waring died March 15, 1918.

In civic, fraternal and social advance Dwight S. Waring is also a leading figure in Fall River. During 1920-23 he served as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners, and during the latter two years of his incumbency he was chairman of the board. By appointment of the mayor, he was also a member of the Traffic Commission over the same period of time. His further business affiliations include directorship in the Conant Mills, leading cotton manufacturers of Fall River. Fraternally Mr. Waring holds membership in King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Azab Grotto. He is also a member of Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Fire Chiefs' Club of Massachusetts, of the Quequechan Club of Fall River, and of the Fall River Country Club. He attends the First Congregational Church of Fall River.

Dwight S. Waring married, June 11, 1913, Marion Jennings, daughter of Hon. Andrew Jackson Jennings, one of the foremost citizens of Bristol county, whose life is reviewed elsewhere in this work. Mr. and Mrs. Waring have two children: Dwight S., Jr., and Andrew J.

**PERCY FRANKLIN FRANCIS**—As an active executive in one of the most important industrial plants of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and a leading manufacturing organization in New England, Percy Franklin Francis is bearing a broadly constructive part in the prosperity and advance of this section, and in his own







*Bernard A. Wherty Jr*

success is contributing much to the general welfare. Mr. Francis is a son of Henry H. Francis, who is a pattern-maker by occupation. He was for many years identified in this capacity with the Weir Stove Company, and is the last of the pattern-makers who were associated with Mr. Wilbur, one of the founders of that great concern. The mother, Clara Dolly (Briggs) Francis, was born at Dighton, Bristol county, Massachusetts, and was a descendant of Matthew Briggs, one of the early settlers of that community. She died in 1919.

Percy Franklin Francis was born at Dighton, Bristol county, Massachusetts, March 1, 1879. His early education was acquired in the public schools of Taunton, where the family later resided, and he is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1898. Upon the completion of his studies, Mr. Francis entered the employ of Colby's Clothing Store, in Taunton, Massachusetts, where he remained for about one year. He then became identified with the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, which is one of the largest textile mills in New England and has a world-wide reputation for the manufacture of cotton goods, blankets, etc. The first position Mr. Francis held in this organization was that of clerk, and he was later made paymaster, then bookkeeper, and now, for several years, has been office manager and cashier. He has now, for a period of twenty-four years, been continuously associated with this great industrial organization. Not only as a business executive, but as a man and a citizen, Mr. Francis commands the esteem and confidence of all who know him, and he is numbered among the really significant figures of Bristol county. His further business connections include a directorship in the Mechanics' Co-operative Bank, and in political matters he supports the Republican party, although he has never desired nor accepted official responsibility in public life. When in high school, Mr. Francis held the rank of first sergeant of the High School Cadets. His present affiliations are of a fraternal and social nature, and include membership in Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is past master; and at the present time is clerk of the Masonic Corporation. He is a member of the Bristol Club. His religious affiliation is with the Union Congregational Church.

Mr. Francis married, September 25, 1907, Alice M. Warren, of Taunton, Massachusetts, her paternal ancestor being Colonel Warren, of Revolutionary fame, and is a daughter of George Bryant Warren, of Massachusetts, employed by Reed & Barton for many years. The mother, Carrie M. (Dawley) Warren, is a native of Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Francis are the parents of two children: Warren B., born July 15, 1908, a student of Taunton High School, and Roger B., born September 10, 1915.

**BERNARD ANTHONY DOHERTY, JR.**—Bernard A. Doherty, Jr., was born in Fall River, November 1, 1892, son of Bernard A. and Mary C. (Kearney) Doherty, his father a retired grocer and real estate dealer. He attended the public schools until graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1909, and then entered Manhattan College, New York City, where he spent three years, playing on the school athletic teams, and being a "Four Letter" man. He

then prepared for a professional career at Boston University Law School, 1912-1916, and in the latter year was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in Boston. He was associated with the law firm of Jennings, Morton & Brayton, and the firm of Jennings & Brayton in their Fall River offices until enlisting in the United States Navy at the outbreak of the war in 1917, remaining in the service until after the armistice was signed. He returned to Fall River and remained with Jennings & Brayton until 1920, when he entered private practice, and is successfully winning his way. While engaged in general practice Mr. Doherty has been called upon to handle many criminal cases, in which he has been unusually successful, and is considered among the leading criminal lawyers of this section of Massachusetts. He has been connected with several large business ventures, and is a director in many corporations, among them the Otaka Paper Company, the Fall River Fruit and Produce Company, and the American Food and Products Company.

While in the United States Navy Mr. Doherty was attached to the Medical Corps at the Reserve Barracks, Newport, Rhode Island, the commandant's office of the Second Naval District, and as an instructor of mathematics for the Bureau of Ordnance in its Binocular School. He was honorably discharged from the service in December, 1918, and then resumed legal work with Jennings & Brayton.

Mr. Doherty is a Democrat in politics, and in religion a Roman Catholic. He is a member of the Fall River, Bristol County, Massachusetts, and American Bar associations; Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Newport, (Rhode Island) Council, No. 256, Knights of Columbus; and the Colonial Club.

Mr. Doherty married, June 25, 1923, Mary E. Murphy, born in Fall River, and a teacher in the public schools, the daughter of John and Ellen Murphy.

**DAVID HERMAN FULLER, M. D.**—Few physicians of Bristol county have enjoyed a wider experience or now hold larger responsibility than Dr. David Herman Fuller, who is serving as general superintendent, also medical and surgical director, of the consolidated hospitals and dispensaries of Fall River. Highly skilled in his profession and a noted authority on various diseases, especially tuberculosis, Dr. Fuller has won a wide reputation, and his services in Fall River are the source of much good to the city and vicinity. Dr. Fuller is a son of David and Mary (Meier) Fuller, his father a native of Austria, and his mother of Brooklyn, New York. David Fuller came to America as a young man and shortly after his arrival here he enlisted in the regular army. He continued throughout his lifetime his interest in military affairs, and during the greater part of the period was identified with military advance in one way or another. He was at one time a member of the body-guard of Jefferson Davis. After several years of service in the regular army Mr. Fuller came to Fall River and was engaged in various business enterprises for many years in this city. As a member of the Massachusetts National Guard he rose to the rank

of major, and for some years was military instructor at the B. M. C. Durfee High School in this city, also of the Fall River Police Department. He died about 1916, at the age of seventy-four years, the mother still (1923) surviving him and residing in New York City.

David Herman Fuller was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, October 19, 1879. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1898. Immediately taking up the study of his chosen profession, the young man went forward under the preceptorship of Dr. John H. Abbott, a prominent physician of that day, then in 1900 entered the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine, being graduated in the class of 1904. Shortly after his graduation Dr. Fuller entered the United States Government service as a member of the medical staff of the Ohio State Soldiers' Home, at Dayton, Ohio. He was active for about eighteen months in that connection, after which he returned to Fall River to take up special work in tuberculosis under Dr. Millett, one of the most noted authorities on the white plague in New England. At that time, also beginning the general practice of medicine, Dr. Fuller gained a secure footing in his chosen field of endeavor in Fall River, and after about three years of practice was appointed diagnostician on the Board of Health, in which official capacity he served until 1910. During this period he continued special study and research on tuberculosis and kept broadly in touch with all that was being done in the world-wide effort to stamp out the plague. In 1910 he was made superintendent of the Fall River Tuberculosis Hospital and three years later, when the city consolidated all the hospitals of the municipality, he was made general superintendent of these consolidated institutions, in which important office he still ably serves. This gives Dr. Fuller jurisdiction over the City Hospital, the Contagious Hospital, the Tuberculosis Hospital, and all dispensaries. The consolidation has proved a step in the right direction, and while Dr. Fuller, of necessity, delegates large responsibilities to others, still the single head, directing all activities and coordinating all energies and forces, has tended toward constant improvement and advance in every branch of this consolidated effort. Dr. Fuller's long experience and his eminent fitness for his position are considered acquisitions of importance to the institutional advance of the time in Fall River, and he is counted among the most noteworthy professional men in the State of Massachusetts. He is a member and director of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society, American Hospital Association, and other organizations whose avowed object is the stamping out of this disease. He has few interests which do not closely align with his profession, but is a member of Pocasset Lodge, No. 134, Knights of Pythias.

Dr. Fuller married, January 9, 1918, Elizabeth M. Flynn, of Fall River, Massachusetts.

LOUIS L. LINCOLN, who is active in the manufacture of the famous "Fairmount" and "Glendale" stoves in Taunton, Massachusetts, as a member of The Leonard & Baker Stove Company, is a figure of interest in Bristol county, Massachusetts. He is a direct descendant of Thomas Lincoln, one of the early pioneers of Taunton, whose grist mill was the actual beginning of industry along the riverside in this county. Down through the generations the Lincoln family has given to the world leaders in every branch of progress, and Thomas Lincoln, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, owned much valuable property near what is now known as Taunton Green. The land upon which the Taylor building now stands was formerly called Knotty Walk and is still in possession of the heirs of Thomas Lincoln, Louis L. Lincoln being the administrator of this estate. Theodore G. Lincoln, son of the Thomas Lincoln last-mentioned, and father of Louis L. Lincoln, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and died in 1905. His lifetime was spent in agricultural pursuits, and he was one of the most highly esteemed men of this section. He married S. Ellen Lothrop, who was also born in Taunton and who still survives her husband, at the age of eighty-three years. Their children are four, three sons and one daughter, the oldest now living, Louis L., being the subject of this sketch.

Louis L. Lincoln was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 1, 1870. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he completed his studies at the School of Mechanics, a branch of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology devoted to the manual arts. Mr. Lincoln thereafter learned the trade of pattern-making with Samuel Miller, of Taunton, Massachusetts, then entered the employ of the Dighton Furnace Company, with which he was connected until 1898. Then he became identified with the Weir Stove Company, as pattern-maker and ornamenteer, and was active in their employ for about ten years. In 1908 Mr. Lincoln, with Eugene L. Baker and Chester N. Leonard, left the Weir Stove Company and incorporated under the name of The Leonard & Baker Stove Company, Mr. Lincoln being made president. Their plant is located on Cushman street, and the concern has since been prominent in their field of activity, developing a very extensive business. They purchased the Somerset Stove Foundry in 1921, and they now occupy a five-acre plant, with improvements, covering about 30,000 square feet of floor space. They employ over one hundred and fifty hands, and their product goes to every part of the United States and Canada. Under the trade mark, "Fairmount" and "Glendale," they have built up an enviable reputation for stove excellence and satisfaction. As assistant treasurer and purchasing agent for this concern, Louis L. Lincoln is bearing a very practical part in its advance. He has few interests outside of business, and although supporting the Republican party and bearing the part of a progressive citizen in the public advance, he has never accepted political office. He is identified with Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Taunton, Massachusetts; and



Taunton Grange, Patrons of Husbandry; and is affiliated with the Baptist church.

Mr. Lincoln married, in 1901, Flora F. Hall, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Anthony and H. Fannie (Staples) Hall, of Taunton.

**BERNARD J. McDONALD, Jr., LL. B.**—Broadly prominent in the practice of the law in Bristol county, Massachusetts, although as yet only active for a comparatively few years in this field of professional endeavor, Bernard J. McDonald, Jr., is taking a definite place in the general advance, and is giving to his professional work the clear vision and tireless energy which count for permanent achievement and large success. A native of this city, Mr. McDonald is a son of Bernard J. and Anna (Barry) McDonald. The father was born in Fall River and the mother in Ireland, coming to the United States as a young woman with her brother, William Barry. For the past thirty-eight years Bernard J. McDonald, Sr., has filled an important position in the employ of the Sagamore Manufacturing Company of Fall River, as buyer of supplies, grader of cotton, etc. The mother died in 1894, at the age of about thirty-two years.

Bernard J. McDonald, Jr., was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, June 3, 1893. His education was begun in the public schools of Fall River and he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1912. Thereafter entering Boston University Law School, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1916, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Returning to his native city, Mr. McDonald entered the office of John T. Coughlin, and on December 1, 1917, entered the service of the United States Navy as a seaman, deferring his practice until some future date. He saw service on a government cruiser off the coast of Maine for sixteen months and after his discharge from the service returned to civilian life. Taking the law examinations of the State in July, 1919, he was admitted to the bar at that time and continued his association with Mr. Coughlin, now the senior member of the firm of Coughlin & Harrington. Early in the year 1922 Mr. McDonald opened his own offices at suite No. 207, the Granite Block, in Fall River, and he has gained an assured footing in his chosen profession, now being numbered among the largely successful lawyers in Bristol county, Massachusetts. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and his religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart.

**GUILFORD C. HATHAWAY, Ph. D., LL. B.**—Bringing to the duties of a responsible office excellent training and wide experience, Guilford C. Hathaway, who has long been numbered among the leading lawyers of Bristol county, Massachusetts, has now for more than ten years served as registrar of probate and insolvency of Bristol county. He has filled the duties of this office ably and well, and his part in the public service is contributing to the general welfare. Mr. Hathaway is a son of George W. and Emily A. (Porter) Hathaway, his

father a native of Freetown, Massachusetts, and his mother of Taunton. The parents lived in Dighton for some years after their marriage, later moving to Somerset, then in 1882 settling permanently in Fall River, where the father still resides, making his home with his son, Guilford C. George W. Hathaway was for many years active as a commercial salesman, but for some time past has been retired from business. The mother is deceased.

Guilford C. Hathaway was born at Dighton, Bristol county, Massachusetts, May 14, 1877. His education was begun in the Fall River public schools and he is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1895. Taking up his higher studies at Brown University at Providence, Rhode Island, he was graduated from that institution in 1899 with the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy. His choice of a profession early made, he then entered Harvard University School of Law, from which he was graduated in 1902 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Passing the bar examinations in June of the same year, Mr. Hathaway was admitted to the bar the following fall, and immediately took up the practice of his chosen profession. He was first associated with the well known law firm of Jennings, Morton & Brayton, in whose offices he had spent his summers while attending Harvard Law School. Remaining with this firm for about one year, Mr. Hathaway then formed an association with L. Elmer Wood, and this partnership endured until January 1, 1913, when it was dissolved on account of Mr. Hathaway's duties in the public service. On that date he took up the responsibilities of his present office of registrar of probate and insolvency, and has since served continuously in this capacity, taking care of the work of this office with large efficiency. He has commanded the respect and confidence of his contemporaries in the public service, as well as the people, and is looked upon as one of the broadly useful men of the day in Fall River. His political affiliation is with the Republican party and he is a worker for its interests. Fraternally he is identified with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is past master; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, No. 25, Knights Templar, of which he is past commander. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church. He served as brigade adjutant with the rank of lieutenant in the Naval Militia of Massachusetts, from 1903 to 1912.

Mr. Hathaway married, September 14, 1904, Nellie M. Shirley of New Bedford, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Hathaway are the parents of four children: Ellen, now in high school; Shirley, in high school; Emily A., and Constance.

**CHARLES CLARKE COOK**—With large interests constantly in his hands, and his entire field of operation directly connected with the business prosperity of the people, Charles Clarke Cook is a figure of importance in the business life of Bristol county. With interests centered in Fall River, but far reaching, he operates in real estate on a brokerage basis largely, also, however, as developing agent. For

many years he has been connected with the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, and in that field he has won honorable mention. He is a son of Alexander Otis Cook, and a descendant of Thomas Cook, an early settler of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, where he was received as an inhabitant in 1643, and was there granted lands. He died February 6, 1674, leaving a will. The line of descent from Thomas Cook to Charles C. Cook, of Fall River, is traced through the founder's son, Captain Thomas Cook, and his wife, Mary (Havens) Cook; their son, Captain John Cook, and his wife, Mary; their son, Joseph Cook, and his wife, Patience; their son, William Cook, and his wife, Ruth; their son, Joseph Cook, and his wife, Anne (Negus) Cook; their son, Captain Perry Cook, and his wife, Lydia (Gifford) Cook; their son, Alexander O. Cook, and his wife, Mary S. (Bronson) Cook; their son, Charles Clarke Cook, of this review.

Joseph Cook, of the sixth generation, was a large landowner of Tiverton and in what is now Fall River, Massachusetts. He was large physically, weighing over three hundred pounds, but was well proportioned. He lived to be eighty-four years of age. His son, Captain Perry Cook, was a captain of militia and was stationed at Newport and vicinity during the second war with Great Britain, his widow drawing a pension on account of that service. He died of yellow fever in Wilmington, North Carolina, and was buried there.

Alexander O. Cook, head of the eighth generation, was born in Tiverton, Rhode Island, May 29, 1827, but in May, 1844, came to Fall River, which was ever afterwards his home. He was a tinsmith and sheet iron worker, forming in 1851, with John Johnston, the firm Cook & Johnston. In 1860 the firm became Shaw & Cook, and later Cook, Grew & Ashton, finally a corporation, the Cook & Grew Company. Mr. Cook was connected with the business for fifty-five years before he retired, and finally became one of Fall River's venerable and esteemed citizens. He was a devoted member of the Baptist church both in Tiverton and Fall River, uniting with the Second Baptist Church of Fall River by letter in 1853. He was elected deacon in 1880, holding until 1897, when, with others, he withdrew to form the Third Baptist Church, of which he was deacon until his death. He was also deeply interested in Sunday school work both as teacher and superintendent. In politics he was a Republican.

Alexander O. Cook married, May 19, 1853, at Fall River, Massachusetts, Mary S. Bronson, born in Stratford, Connecticut, June 16, 1825, daughter of Rev. Asa and Marinda (Jennings) Bronson, her father for a number of years pastor of the First Baptist Church of Fall River, and at a later period pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Fall River. To Mr. and Mrs. Cook was born a son, Charles Clarke, of further mention; and a daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth Grosvenor, who married Walter J. Titcomb, of Fall River. Alexander O. Cook died October 19, 1915. Mary S. (Bronson) Cook died September 10, 1905.

Charles Clarke Cook was born at Fall River,

Massachusetts, March 28, 1854. His education was obtained in the public schools, and in 1871 he entered the employ of Hathaway & Dean, grocers of Fall River, remaining about one year. He then became a salesman in the store of Cook, Grew & Ashton, tinners, plumbers and dealers in mill supplies, he being in charge of the mill supply department. He remained with that firm of which his father was head until June, 1887, when he became general agent for the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, a position he held for a number of years, resigning to become district agent for the Travelers Insurance Company, a connection which has never been dissolved, but has grown stronger with the years. In course of time real estate, stocks, accident and fire insurance and the management of estates were added to his activities, and from his offices, No. 109 South Main street, he has conducted an immense business during the thirty-five years these lines have been carried. It is confidently asserted by his friends that Mr. Cook has consummated more deals in down town real estate than any other operator in the city. For two years prior to the death of A. J. Borden, Mr. Cook was associated with him in the management of his property and after Mr. Borden's death became agent for the estate. He was also in charge of the John Campbell estate for thirteen years until it was divided, and has always stood high in the confidence and esteem of his business associates.

He has maintained a high standard in his business life and has been an important factor in the development of his city. Mr. Cook manages the Borden building, in which he is located, which is a part of the Borden estate that he has handled since 1892. He is frequently called on as an expert witness on real estate values, and in all these responsibilities he gives to his work the breadth of vision and the ability which have carried him in his personal interests to the high position he occupies in the business world. Politically he supports the Republican party, but has never accepted public office, in fact has never had leisure for outside interests, his time being almost wholly devoted to his business. He is identified with the Baptist Temple Church.

Mr. Cook married, at Fall River, in 1877, Wealthy W. Winslow, daughter of Squire Benjamin F. and Margaret (McCuen) Winslow, her father born in Berkley, Bristol county, Massachusetts, her mother born in Scotland. The Cook residence is in Fall River, their country home in Tiverton, Rhode Island.

**CLARENCE CHARLES McCREERY, M. D.**—Specializing in orthopedic surgery, Doctor McCreery of Fall River, Massachusetts, has gained an enviable reputation both in the profession and among the general public, and is now active as a member of Truesdale Clinic of Fall River, Massachusetts. Dr. McCreery is a son of Charles John McCreery, who has been for many years prominently identified with educational advance as principal of the Davenport Grammar School of this city. He still ably fills this important position and in his activities as an



educator is contributing not only to the welfare of the community at the moment but to the permanent good and continuous progress of this city. The mother, Isabelle (Turner) McCreery, was born in England and came to the United States as a girl of twelve years with her parents, the family settling in Fall River.

Clarence Charles McCreery was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, October 20, 1889. His education was begun in the local public schools and he is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School of the class of 1907. His choice of a profession early made, he entered the Long Island College Hospital at Brooklyn, New York, from which he was graduated in the class of 1911 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Returning to his native city of Fall River, Dr. McCreery served his internship at Union Hospital of this city, then in April, 1912, established himself in practice in Somerset, Massachusetts, just across the river from Fall River. For four years he went forward along general lines, then in 1916 went to Boston, where he took special post-graduate work in orthopedic surgery at Carney Hospital, spending a full year in this connection. In 1917 he was made assistant orthopedic surgeon of Union Hospital at Fall River, and the following year he joined the widely famed body known as Truesdale Clinic. The clinic is, of course, a branch of the work of the Truesdale Hospital of Fall River, the work of which institution is reviewed at length in the sketch of Dr. Truesdale's life which appears elsewhere in this work. In 1923 he was appointed assistant orthopedic surgeon to the Fall River General Hospital. Dr. McCreery's large success in his special line of endeavor has attracted the attention of the profession generally, as well as in local circles, and he is considered one of the most promising young surgeons of the day. In 1913 Dr. McCreery acted as examining physician for the Fall River Anti-Tuberculosis Society. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, the Fall River Medical Society, also serves on the medical staff of the Young Men's Christian Association, and is a member of the medical staff of the Boy Scouts. His more personal affiliations include membership in Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somerset; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters;—Commandery, Knights Templar; Fall River Lodge of Perfection; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Azab Grotto of Fall River; and he is a charter member of Somerset Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. He is affiliated with Elysian Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Somerset; and his clubs are the Lions and Fall River Country. He attends Union Methodist Episcopal Church.

Dr. McCreery married, June 17, 1916, Bessie F. Brownell of Fall River, and they are the parents of two children: Barbara Franklin, and Janice.

**WALTER EVERETT PECKHAM**—One of the interesting and widely patronized business enter-

prises of Fall River, Massachusetts, is the ice cream plant conducted under the firm name of the Peckham-Davis Company, of which Walter Everett Peckham is now sole owner and the active manager. It was Mr. Peckham who developed this interest, and by hard work and sound common sense he has carried it to a leading position in this special field in southeastern Massachusetts. Mr. Peckham is a son of Albert Peckham, who was born at Middletown, Rhode Island, March 1, 1840, and died January 2, 1906. He was active as a farmer at Little Compton, Rhode Island, during the greater part of his career, and was highly esteemed by all with whom he came in contact. The mother, Charlotte F. (Brightman) Peckham, was born in Providence, Rhode Island, September 28, 1842, and died January 28, 1908.

Walter Everett Peckham was born at Little Compton, Rhode Island, on his father's farm, October 22, 1874. As a lad he enjoyed only the advantages of a common school education, and he was early made useful in the work of the farm. Remaining on the home farm until he was twenty-one years of age, he then came to Fall River to assist his father in extending the activities of the farm, peddling milk from his father's dairy in this city. He began with a route of about seventy quarts of milk, and won the distinction of having been the first man in Fall River to pasteurize milk for the trade, a method of preparation then universally considered a safeguard to the public health. Mr. Peckham continued active in this connection until about the close of the year 1908, then early in the following year he opened a business for the manufacture of ice cream. Beginning in a small way, Mr. Peckham received two partners in the person of C. P. and J. Davis, but remained personally at the head of the business. Periods of discouragement were plentifully interspersed between the seasons of prosperity during the early years of their history, but Mr. Peckham carried the interest ever forward, and eventually won out to a position where he was able to meet the inevitable vicissitudes of an enterprise of this nature with confidence and fortitude. Mr. Peckham is now sole owner, but still retains the name which has become a household word in Bristol county. The product is sold at all the beaches for a considerable distance, and throughout this vicinity it is in demand the year round. The plant handles more than 5,000 quarts of milk per day, a good part being distributed to the local milk trade, and the remainder being utilized in the manufacture of ice cream. Of this product Mr. Peckham makes about 160,000 gallons per year, and although still at the same location, he had largely expanded his plant, and now employs about sixty people. From the first he has made healthfulness, purity and excellence his inviolable rules of progress, aiming always at perfection, and the universal verdict of the people seems to me one of commendation, for his product is everywhere popular. He keeps in the closest touch with all advance in his field, being a member of the National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers, also of the New England branch of

this organization, attending all the national conventions and watching the trend of the times in his field. Mr. Peckham is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and politically supports the Republican party, although the exactions of his business have prevented him from taking any active part in public affairs. For the same reason he has been obliged to deny himself many affiliations with organized endeavor in which he feels the most complete sympathy. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Peckham married, in Fall River, June 8, 1898, Carrie E. B. Rogers, daughter of George H. and Sophia S. L. (Brown) Rogers, and they reside in Fall River. Mrs. Peckham is a member of the Mayflower Descendants (No. 19-5566), ninth in descent from John Alden; a member of the Daughters of the Colonial Wars (No. 51) through Third Lieutenant Thomas Loring; and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution (No. 89,981), with five ancestors who took part as lieutenant sergeant and privates.

**ALBERT S. INGRAHAM**—Broadly practical and eminently progressive in his chosen line of productive activity, Albert S. Ingraham, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, is doing much to forward the various industries of this city, but his work is by no means limited to its local phase, for his products are distributed throughout the United States, going to industrial concerns active in many fields of advance. Mr. Ingraham has won his way to his present success wholly through his own endeavors, for his father, J. S. Ingraham, who was born in England, and came to Nova Scotia in his youth, spent his entire career in agricultural pursuits. He died in 1890. The mother, Eliza J. (Sellon) Ingraham, was also born in England, and survived her husband for only a comparatively short time, passing away the following year.

Albert S. Ingraham was born at Sydney, Nova Scotia, February 12, 1863. His education was received in the local schools and at Wolfville, Nova Scotia, and was completed with the academy course. As a young man Mr. Ingraham followed the sea for about six years, and won the distinction of the rank of second mate at the age of eighteen years, serving with this rank on the merchant ship "Bengal." Upon resuming his residence on land, he located in Attleboro, Massachusetts, and was employed by various concerns, serving as assistant foreman at the Watch Case Factory for a period of eight years. Here Mr. Ingraham introduced the system of electro-plating of alloy gold with cyanide solution, while prior to that time other chemicals had been used for this purpose, entailing greater expense and less durable results. This is probably the first time the formula had been used in America, although it had been previously used in France. Upon severing his connection with this concern Mr. Ingraham bought the electro-plating business theretofore conducted by C. S. Smith, and carried it forward under his own name. He remained at the old location on Railroad avenue until the buildings were destroyed

by fire, then erected a fine modern structure which he owns on Union street, where he is still located. The concern was incorporated in 1905, under the name of the A. S. Ingraham Company, and they are now leaders in their field. They do a very extensive business in electro-plating and metallurgy, and are also dealers in a very large way in acids, chemicals, paint and mill supplies, meeting the special needs of foundries and manufacturers. In this connection it is interesting to note that Mr. Ingraham was the first to produce in America what is known to the trade as French Gray Coloring, this also, as the name indicates, having had its origin in France. This plant occupies one extensive floor in their building, and employs about twenty hands.

In various other lines of advance, in the realms of business, finance, patriotism and fraternal endeavor, Mr. Ingraham is a well known figure in Attleboro. He has taken a deep interest and an active part in the development of the city of Attleboro, and is a member of the Bronson Building Committee, which he serves as president. Since 1910 he has been president of the Attleboro Trust Company, which institution was the first in the United States to assist in underwriting the bonds of the Anglo-French edition, this example in patriotism and international good feeling honoring the city, county and State in which it was displayed. Mr. Ingraham is also a director of the Attleborough Savings and Loan Association. He was a charter member of Company I, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, serving for three years, and during the World War he was a leader in all Liberty Loan and Red Cross activities, the United States Government recognizing his services by a certificate of appreciation. He is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is also a member of Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Gideon M. Horton Encampment, No. 80, and is a past noble grand of his lodge; and a member of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a leading member of the Highland Club, and is affiliated with various other organizations of minor importance. He attends the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Ingraham married, on June 19, 1885, Henrietta J. Brooks, who was born on Prince Edward Island, and their only child, Irma B., is the wife of Randolph E. Bell, of North Attleboro.

**JOSEPH E. BOSTOCK**—As the head of a prominent furniture business in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, Joseph E. Bostock has attained marked success, and in distributing the daily necessities of life in the way of home furnishings, Mr. Bostock is carrying forward a broadly constructive line of mercantile endeavor. A native of Taunton, reared and educated in this city, Mr. Bostock has







*J. Dennis*

cast in his lot with the people whom he has always known, and in his endeavors has attained gratifying results. He is a son of Samuel Bostock, who was born in Stockford, England, and came to the United States as a young man. He was one of the many young men of his day who took up arms in defense of the Union, and as a member of the 7th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, served with honor and distinction in the Civil War, receiving a serious wound in the battle of St. Mary's Heights. His later life as a citizen of Taunton was one of unblemished reputation and broad usefulness in the textile industry and closed with his death, at a comparatively early age, in 1887. The mother, Mary (Carr) Bostock, was born in Manchester, England, and survived her husband for many years, passing away in 1914.

Joseph E. Bostock was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, April 8, 1872. He gained a practical education in the public schools of the city and learned the trade of tool-maker in the factory of the A. Field & Son Tack Company. Remaining with this concern for a time after mastering his trade, Mr. Bostock was with the firm for about five years in all, then entered the employ of L. W. Williams, a prominent grocer of that time, remaining for about four years. Thereafter, for about two years, he was identified with P. Williams in a grocery store, after which he became a salesman for the Grand Union Tea Company. This activity continued for a period of four years, after which Mr. Bostock entered an independent business along the line of tea and coffee. This he developed to a very prosperous and extensive interest, indeed to one of the largest in this section, with headquarters at No. 29 Kilton street, which is still one of the foremost in this section. In 1916, Mr. Bostock purchased the property at No. 12 Trescott street and branched out in another line of commercial endeavor, establishing the Bostock Furniture Company, of which for three years he was the sole owner. The growth of this enterprise was little short of marvelous, and in 1919 it became necessary to augment the executive force. Accordingly, Mr. Bostock increased the concern and has since gone forward as a corporation, Mr. Bostock being the principal owner, and holding the offices of treasurer and general manager. They handle every variety of household furniture and with a very complete and attractive stock, always displayed to the best advantage, they command a very extensive patronage in Bristol county and vicinity. They now occupy the entire building at Nos. 10 and 12 Trescott street, and have about 10,000 square feet of floor space. They are now erecting an addition, which will add about 7,000 square feet of floor space and their present working force of about fifteen people will be increased to handle the growth of the business.

Mr. Bostock is interested in various other activities, principally as president of the Sherwood Curtain Company. He is chairman and on the board of directors of the Merchant's Department of the Chamber of Commerce. His fraternal affiliations are with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons;

St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past grand. He is also a member of the Winthrop Club, and the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is a director. His religious affiliation is with the Broadway Congregational Church.

Mr. Bostock married, in 1892, Gertrude I. Pond, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Charles E. and Florence I. (Little) Pond. Mr. and Mrs. Bostock are the parents of three children: Marian P., a graduate of Simmons College, now the wife of Wilfred A. Hathaway; Florence G., formerly a student at Simmons College, and a graduate of the Deaconess Hospital of Boston, Massachusetts; and Mary E., who is now (1923) attending Taunton High School.

**DANIEL JAMES DENNIS**—When a young man of nineteen Daniel J. Dennis came to Fall River, Massachusetts, and there has since been continuously connected with the business interests of that city, although more than three decades have since elapsed, 1892-1923. He is a native son of the Dominion of Canada, born in the maritime province of New Brunswick, his parents, Daniel and Mary A. Mullen, also of New Brunswick birth. Daniel Dennis born in 1839, died at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1914, his wife, born in 1839, passing away in 1907. Daniel Dennis was a lumber merchant of New Castle, New Brunswick, until 1897, when he retired and joined his son at Fall River. He was a prosperous business man and held an influential place in the business life of New Castle.

Daniel James Dennis was born in New Castle, New Brunswick, Canada, May 7, 1873, and there was educated in the public schools including high school. On September 1, 1892, he came to Fall River, where he accepted a clerical position with J. Powers, who was operating a grocery and meat market at the corner of Fifth and Branch streets. He remained with Mr. Powers five years, until 1897, then engaged in the same business at Fourth and Morgan streets in association with his brother, Joseph A. Dennis, then operating as Dennis Brothers. In 1901 Daniel Dennis sold his interest to Joseph A. Dennis and bought out an established business at No. 119 Stafford road, where he conducted a market until 1905. In that year he again sold out and bought the property at the corner of Fifth and Branch streets, which he completely remodeled. There he opened a large general market, giving it his entire personal attentions until 1909, when he bought his brother's store and business, operating both markets until 1916, when he sold his entire interest and retired from mercantile life to engage exclusively in the automobile business.

Mr. Dennis first became interested in the automobile as a business proposition in 1915, when, at No. 543 South Main street, he opened salesrooms and service station as distributor for the Mitchell car. A year later he decided the business was of sufficient importance to deserve his full time, and

for the past seven years he has given himself entirely to the automobile and its distribution. In 1919 he bought the Homer Skinner lumber yard property on Sixth street and erected thereon a one-story white brick building, 124 by 87 feet, which he occupies as a garage, salesrooms and service station. In 1922 he surrendered the Mitchell agency and now handles the Chevrolet and Auburn cars. He has been very successful since coming to Fall River and particularly so in the automobile business.

In politics Mr. Dennis is a Democrat, and he has served in the city government. For five years, 1906-1911, he was president of the Grocer's Association of Fall River, is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and of the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. Dennis married (first) at Fall River, October 26, 1897, Isabella Hastie, daughter of John and Catherine (O'Neill) Hastie. Mrs. Dennis died in 1920, leaving four children: Mary C., born August 18, 1898, now her father's office assistant and secretary; D. Harold, born December 15, 1899, now engaged in the liability insurance business in Fall River; William J., born August 28, 1901, now associated in business with his father; Isabella C., born July 11, 1904, now a student at Massachusetts State Normal School, in training for the teaching profession. Mr. Dennis married (second), October 24, 1922, Sarah A. V. Corrigan, of Fall River.

No. 72 Snell street, Fall River, was the Dennis home until 1922, when Mr. Dennis bought one of the old estates in Tiverton, Rhode Island, one of New England's most beautiful localities.

**CHARLES EDWARD WALDRON**—Successful in his chosen field of commercial endeavor, and prominent in fraternal circles, Charles Edward Waldron, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is thoroughly representative of the citizenship which is holding Bristol county in the front line of progress. With long experience in his present field, and the practical business ability which is a vital element of success, Mr. Waldron is going forward to ever larger achievement. He is descended from early settlers of Taunton, and is a son of Edward M. and Hattie G. (Horr) Waldron. His father, who was a moulder by occupation, died in 1905, but the mother, who is also a native of Taunton, is still living.

Charles Edward Waldron was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, December 15, 1885. His education was limited to the advantages of the public schools, but his gift for winning knowledge from every source has supplemented his formal education and has given him a practical equipment for life and its responsibilities. As a lad he filled several minor positions temporarily, then, in 1900, entered the employ of Franklin D. Williams, a well known hardware dealer of Taunton, with whom he remained for a period of twenty years. During the greater part of this time Mr. Waldron acted as general manager for Mr. Williams, and thereby gained invaluable experience. Thus, when he struck out for himself in 1920, it was with an equipment which insured his success. He opened a store at No. 44 Weir street, where he carries one of the

finest and most complete stocks to be found in this section of the State. On January 1, 1923, the concern was incorporated under the firm name of the Waldron Hardware Company, and its growth and development are making history in the trade in Bristol county. Their main building comprises three floors, with about 7,000 square feet of floor space; a storage building stands in the railway side track, with about 9,000 feet of floor space; while two new buildings now (1923) in course of construction will add no less than 2,000 feet. The concern employs about fifteen people, and their operations are principally within a radius of fifteen miles of Taunton. Mr. Waldron is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and takes a deep interest in the general advance.

Fraternally Mr. Waldron is identified with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Improved Order of Red Men; and Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias. He is a prominent member of the Bristol Club, and is active in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Waldron married, in 1912, Ruth E. Roundevell, of Acushnet, Massachusetts, daughter of Walter and Jane (White) Roundevell, prominent people of that community. Mr. and Mrs. Waldron have two daughters: Eleanor F., born in 1913; and Marjory, born in 1915.

**THOMAS STEWART LANG**—Holding a leading position in the world of production in Fall River, Massachusetts, Thomas Stewart Lang stands at the head of the old and widely known firm of N. R. Earl & Son, of which he is now the sole owner. Mr. Lang has been identified with this organization for the past thirty years, beginning life in the employ of the former owner, and continuing in the same connection throughout his career. A broadly practical man of recognized ability, Mr. Lang takes a definite part in the civic and industrial advance of Fall River, and is one of the highly esteemed business men of the day in this city. He is a son of John and Jane (Stewart) Lang. His father was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and is an iron molder by trade, now being a resident of Fall River and retired from industrial activity. The mother, who was also born in Glasgow, died in Fall River, in 1909.

Thomas Stewart Lang was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, March 28, 1878. His education was limited to the advantages of the local public schools and as a lad he was employed in a dry goods store for about one year. In 1893 Mr. Lang entered the employ of N. R. Earl, a leading manufacturer of blank books, with whom he was active until the retirement of Mr. Earl. This firm was founded in the year 1860 and has enjoyed steady and continuous growth since that date, Mr. Earl being at the head until 1920, when Mr. Lang purchased the interest. Mr. Lang began in a subordinate capacity



and through the early years of his activity in this connection he was identified with different departments of the plant. Rising from one position to another, each of greater responsibility, he eventually filled an executive office, becoming a member of the firm upon its incorporation under the present title. The interest has been located at No. 70 Bedford street, Fall River, since the year 1883 and with its continued growth has taken a leading position in its special field of manufacture in Bristol county. In the year 1920 Mr. Lang became sole owner of the interest, but he retained the firm name of N. R. Earl & Son, while he still continues as the head and owner. This interest is rated among the leaders in Southeastern Massachusetts and is constantly increasing in output and in importance. Mr. Lang is broadly interested in the affairs of the day, both local and national, and politically supports the Republican party. During the World War Mr. Lang was very active in the Red Cross and even prior to America's intervention into European affairs devoted largely of his time and means to the advancement of their interests and activities. Mrs. Lang has in her possession a commendation signed by the Queen of England, acknowledging the work of Mr. and Mrs. Lang in the Red Cross. Mr. Lang is fraternally affiliated with the Free and Accepted Masons; the Royal Arch Masons; the Royal and Select Masters and the Knights Templar, also the Order of Scottish Clans. He attends the Congregational church.

Mr. Lang married, June 17, 1903, Mary Baird, who was born in Glasgow, Scotland, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (MacGibbon) Baird, her father a native of Glasgow. Mr. and Mrs. Lang are the parents of one son: Stewart MacGibbon, born September 19, 1907, and now attending high school.

**WARREN ALLEN SWIFT**—For more than a quarter of a century a member of the Massachusetts bar, and during that entire period active in practice in the city of Taunton, Warren Allen Swift has during the greater part of that time been a noteworthy figure in the public life of city and county and in the advance of the political party now in power. His ability and force as a lawyer have been broadly useful to the people in many branches of community advance, and his influence as a progressive citizen is always on the side of public righteousness. Mr. Swift is a son of William H. Swift, who was born in Middleboro, Massachusetts, and during the greater part of his lifetime was active in the shoe industry, following this general line until his death, which occurred in 1882. The mother, Emma F. (Nants) Swift, who was born in Lakeville, Massachusetts, survived him for about ten years, passing away in 1902.

Warren Allen Swift was born in Brockton, Massachusetts, August 15, 1875. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and as a young man he read law in the offices of Henry J. Fuller, of Taunton, for two years, then completed his professional studies at Boston University Law School, from which he was graduated in the class

of 1897, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Shortly thereafter Mr. Swift was admitted to the bar and began the practice of his profession in Taunton under his own name. In May, 1898, he became associated with Judge William H. Fox, and continued with him for about four years. From that time forward until 1921 Mr. Swift was active in independent practice, and is now at the head of the firm of Swift & Swift, his son, Warren M. Swift, being now associated with him. With offices in the Crocker building, in Taunton, Mr. Swift is counted among the foremost legal lights of his native State, and the firm of Swift & Swift holds a highly honored position in the profession.

In the public life of the city of Taunton Mr. Swift has long been prominent, serving as a member of the Common Council for two years, and as alderman from Ward Seven for one year, then, in 1906, acting as city solicitor. He further served on the school board for a period of six years. In every branch of community advance he contributes the efforts of a progressive and forward-looking spirit to the general good. By appointment of Mayor Eldridge he did excellent work on the local grade crossing committee. A loyal adherent and fearless advocate of the principles of the Republican party, Mr. Swift served as delegate to the Republican National Convention of 1912, representing his constituency in support of Theodore Roosevelt. Later he was appointed by Governor Coolidge as public administrator and still acts in that capacity. During the World War he devoted a large share of his time to his duties as a member of the registration board, and special acknowledgement of his usefulness was made by the United States Government in the form of a certificate. Fraternally he is identified with Taunton Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Knights of Pythias, and he is a member of the Broadway Congregational Church.

Mr. Swift married, in 1897, Edna F. Woodward, of Taunton, daughter of Herbert J. and Annie Elizabeth (Westgate) Woodward. Mr. and Mrs. Swift are the parents of three children: Warren M., of further mention; Emma E., born March 30, 1902; and William H., born August 28, 1904.

Warren Maurice Swift, eldest son of this family, was born in Taunton, October 30, 1898. He is a graduate of Taunton High School, class of 1917, and of Boston University Law School, class of 1920, degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar in September of the same year, Mr. Swift became associated with his father in the practice of the law as a member of the firm of Swift & Swift. He served during the World War as a member of the United States Naval Reserve, and was assigned to duty at Boston. Mr. Swift is winning a place for himself in the professional world of Bristol county, and is looked upon as one of the coming men of his native State.

**EUGENE L. BAKER**—The manufacture of stoves and ranges has long been an important industry in Taunton, Massachusetts, and Eugene L. Baker holds a prominent position in this field as

the head of the Leonard & Baker Stove Company, which within the past few years has absorbed the Somerset Stove Company, adding that great interest to their original plant. Mr. Baker is a broadly practical executive, alert to conditions in every field bearing upon his own activities, and appreciative of every phase of progress. He is a son of Henry L. Baker of Taunton, who has for many years been active as foreman of the Taunton Brick Company, which position he still fills. The mother, Ruth Emmeline (Deane) Baker, was born in Taunton and is also still living.

Eugene L. Baker was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, January 23, 1871. His education was acquired in the local public schools, and his first employment was with Samuel Miller, a noted pattern-maker of that day, in which connection he learned the pattern-making trade. After four years with Mr. Miller, Mr. Baker entered the employ of the Weir Stove Company as a pattern maker and continued with this concern for a period of ten years, at the end of which time he entered a different field. Forming a partnership with Louis Lincoln, he became a manufacturer of patent leather, but also developed a considerable business in pattern-making, their headquarters having been on High street for about a year and a half. In 1907 the Leonard & Baker Stove Company was established for the purpose of manufacturing stoves, and Mr. Baker's experience in pattern-making placed him in a position to go forward with his hand on every branch of the industry. Located on Cushman street, the concern has done a constantly increasing business from the start and their products now go to all parts of the United States and Canada. In 1921 the concern bought out the Somerset Stove Foundry, and with this important increase to their business, they now occupy a five-acre plant with about 30,000 square feet of floor space, improved, and employ one hundred and fifty hands. This is one of the really significant industrial organizations of Taunton, and its continued prosperity and growth is assured in the hands of its able executive. Mr. Baker is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his religious affiliation is with the East Taunton Congregational Church.

Mr. Baker married, in 1906, Hattie M. Doel, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Harriet Doel.

**EDWIN JAMES COLE**—In real estate progress and development, also along the line of insurance, the name of Edwin James Cole is widely prominent in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and his activities in these allied fields of endeavor are contributing in a very definite way to the local advance of Fall River. Mr. Cole bears a part in all worthy effort and entirely aside from his personal interests his leadership in various affairs places him among the really important executives of the day in this section. He is a son of Edwin Henry Cole, who was born in Canterbury, England, and throughout his lifetime was engaged in the dry goods business, first in his native land, and later in Montreal,

Canada. He was a man of quiet tastes, unassuming yet capable, and in business affairs possessing a keen foresight and sound judgment. He married Maria Leach, who was born in Cheltenham, England, and now resides at Oak Park, Illinois.

Edwin James Cole was born at Cheltenham, England, September 20, 1867. Receiving his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, he crossed the Atlantic with his parents in 1880, settling in Montreal, where he attended McGill Model School, from which he was graduated in 1883. Coming to Fall River in the year 1886, Mr. Cole entered the employ of the T. R. Vestal Insurance Agency in the capacity of clerk. He then became affiliated with the Durfee & Chace Company, where for twenty-one years he filled the responsible positions of increasing importance and became a valued executive. Resigning from this connection in 1908, Mr. Cole established his own interest, opening offices as real estate and insurance agent. In 1921 he removed to his present location at No. 57 North Main street, and the standing which he has attained in the field of his choice places him among the foremost executives of the city of Fall River and indeed of Bristol county. Mr. Cole's other business affiliations include a directorship in the Fall River Trust Company, of which he is a charter member. He is vice-president of the Fall River Board of Underwriters and a leading figure in all insurance progress. He is president of the Massachusetts Association of Insurance Agents, regional vice-president of the National Association of Insurance Agents, and a director of the Massachusetts Real Estate Exchange. During the World War Mr. Cole was widely active in the endeavors of the period, and served as chief registrar for Ward 4 in the first draft. He was later identified with wards 1 and 4 and in all loan drives took a very active part, his efforts counting in a definite way for the success which attended these drives. Mr. Cole is a member of the Rotary Club, a leader in all its activities, and is identified with the Episcopal church and prominent in church affairs.

Mr. Cole married, at Bridgewater, Massachusetts, in 1889, Isabelle M. Turner, who was born in Bridgewater, and is a daughter of John and Agnes (Wilson) Turner, her father a native of Halifax, England. Mr. and Mrs. Cole are the parents of two children: Gladys Louise, who was born in March, 1897, graduated from the Fall River High School and then attended Abbott Academy at Andover, Massachusetts; and E. Forrest, who was born in September, 1898.

**WILLIAM E. KELLEY**—As a representative member of the legal profession in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, William E. Kelley is a prominent figure in Bristol county today, after twenty-three years of active practice. Born and reared in the State of Rhode Island, and possessing natural ability in his chosen field of professional activity, Mr. Kelley has won a high position in legal circles in Taunton. He is a son of James B. Kelley, who



was born in the State of Kentucky, but spent the greater part of his life in New England, and was for many years identified with the well known textile concern of Providence, that of B. B. & R. Knight. The mother, Catherine (Devens) Kelley, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and came to America in her girlhood.

William E. Kelley was born at North Providence, Rhode Island, February 28, 1865. His early education was acquired in the public and high schools of Providence, and he was graduated from high school in the class of 1886. He matriculated at Brown University, but did not remain to complete the course, owing to a severe illness which compelled him to seek outdoor occupation. When his health was recovered Mr. Kelley took a course at the Jenckes & Morey Business School, then came to Taunton to take up the study of law in the offices of Charles A. Reed, of this city. Under this able preceptorship he laid substantial foundations for his success, and was admitted to the bar in the year 1900. He began the practice of his profession in the city of Taunton immediately thereafter, and his rise to prominence and influence has been steady. With offices in the Taylor building on Taunton Green, Mr. Kelley is numbered among the really noteworthy professional men of the day in Bristol county. Deeply interested in all that contributes to the public welfare, Mr. Kelley has never accepted political responsibilities, except to serve for a period as a member of the school committee of Taunton. Fraternally he is well known as a member and past advocate of the Knights of Columbus, and is also a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Patrons of Husbandry. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception.

William E. Kelley married, in 1887, Ellen J. Powers, of Chelsea, Massachusetts, daughter of Richard and Mary (Sheehan) Powers, and they are the parents of two daughters; Margaret, now the wife of Joseph H. Martin, and a graduate of the State Normal School of Rhode Island; and Florence M., a graduate of Boston University and now (1923) a teacher at the Taunton High School.

**WILLIAM JORDAN MORSE**—Bearing a definitely progressive part in the jewelry industry in Attleboro, Massachusetts, William Jordan Morse is widely known as one of the founders and now the president and treasurer of the Morse-Andrews Company. Possessing the courage and tenacity of the pioneer, Mr. Morse carried the enterprise through the early years of struggle and hardship to a point where he now holds a leading place in his special line of manufacture, a great variety of belt buckles for men's wear. Mr. Morse is a member of a family long identified with the jewelry industry in Bristol county, and is a son of Harrison T. Morse, who was born at Middleboro, Massachusetts, and died in 1912, after a life-time spent in this industry. Harrison T. Morse was active in the employ of the D. F. Spaulding Company of Mansfield, Massachusetts. The mother, Mattie E. (Blan-

chard) Morse, was born in Mansfield, Massachusetts, and outlived her husband several years, passing away in 1920.

William Jordan Morse was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, September 30, 1882. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and after the completion of his course at the Mansfield High School he learned the trade of jeweler at the factory of the D. F. Spaulding Company, where his father was then employed. Three years after entering this plant, Mr. Morse came to Attleboro, and was active in the employ of the R. F. Simmons Company for one year, after which he was identified successively with Bates & Bacon, S. O. Bigney, White & Roundsville, and the George L. Brown Company, filling a foreman's position in the last named plant. Mr. Morse established the present business in the year 1913, receiving as partner Forest J. Andrews, and founding the firm of Morse & Andrews. They began on a very small scale, with bench room only, their location being in the Makepeace building for about one year. Ill health then compelled Mr. Andrews to retire, and Mr. Morse removed to Building No. 2, at No. 32 Railroad street. Here he first occupied a small space in the basement, later removing to the third story, where he occupied half the space of that floor. The growth of the business has since compelled him to expand, and he now occupies an entire floor in this large building, giving this enterprise about 3,500 square feet of floor space. Employing upwards of forty people, and equipped with every approved device for the furtherance of his work, he distributes his product to all parts of the United States, and holds a leading position in New England in the manufacture of men's belt buckles. The concern is now incorporated under the firm name of the Morse-Andrews Company, Mr. Morse being president and treasurer. Mr. Morse holds a number of important patents on his product, and is constantly improving design, and bringing out new ideas. He is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and is a Republican by political affiliation, although his business interests preclude public activities. He is treasurer and a director of the Keller Manufacturing Company, also producers of jewelry. Fraternally Mr. Morse is prominent, being a member of Orient Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Attleboro; of Gideon M. Horton Encampment; and is past noble grand of this order. He is also a member of Pythagoras Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious affiliation is with the Second Congregational Church.

Mr. Morse married, July 3, 1910, Lillie A. Beers, of Prince Edward Island, daughter of George and Mary (Hume) Beers, esteemed farming people of that section. Mr. and Mrs. Morse have one son, William J., Jr., born July 31, 1912.

**ALFRED C. LEWIS**—Prominent in the business life of Taunton, Massachusetts, as secretary of the H. L. Davis Company, of this city, Alfred C. Lewis has won high a position in the world of men and

affairs, and his activities in this connection are contributing in a marked degree to the prosperity of the community and the welfare and happiness of the people. Mr. Lewis gives to his work the energy and ability which count for success in any field, and he is numbered among the thoroughly progressive and broadly useful men of Bristol county. Mr. Lewis is a son of Joseph F. Lewis, a sea captain and deep sea mariner, who was born in Boston, and visited many parts of the world. He died of yellow fever in Africa, in 1878, and was buried by missionaries. The mother, Emma C. (Hinckley) Lewis, was born in Barnstable county, Massachusetts, and survived her husband for many years, passing away in May, 1922.

Alfred C. Lewis was born in Barnstable county, Massachusetts, August 22, 1872. His education was received in the public schools, and having been left fatherless in his childhood, he turned at once to remunerative employment. With the exception of about six years Mr. Lewis has since been identified with the H. L. Davis Company, of Taunton. For three years he was with the Merriam Company, of Providence, Rhode Island, a leading firm of decorators in that city, and for a similar period he conducted a grocery and market under the firm name of Van Alstyne & Lewis. His interests have been principally identical with those of the present firm, and as secretary of the H. L. Davis Company, Mr. Lewis is widely known. This concern was founded in Taunton in 1875 by the man whose name it still bears, and was continued by him personally until 1893, when the name was changed to the H. L. Davis Company. The interest was incorporated on January 19, 1901, the title continuing the same, the principal activity of the organization being interior and exterior decoration. They later branched out to include a mercantile interest along the line of toys, in great variety, and this has become an important department of their business, being considered one of the most attractive and complete in a wide region. The concern draws trade from all parts of Bristol county, and employing about twenty-five hands, they are leading in their field and are one of the largest as well as one of the oldest in this part of the State in this general line of activity. As secretary of the above industrial organization, Mr. Lewis is an associate member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Lewis is secretary and treasurer of the Master Painters' Association, of Taunton. Fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Malta, and he is deeply interested in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he was formerly a director. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Automobile, and he serves the latter as secretary and treasurer. He has for many years been a member of the Winslow Congregational Church, and is a member of the standing committee of the church.

Mr. Lewis married, in 1893, Percival L. Pratt, who was born in Woodstock, Vermont, and is a daughter of Charles P. and Martha Pratt. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis have one daughter: Dorothy C., who spent three years at Northfield Academy, and three years

as a student nurse at St. Luke's Hospital, in New Bedford, Massachusetts, from which she was graduated in due course, and is now the wife of L. B. Service.

**JUDGE FRANK M. SILVIA**—One of the most noteworthy examples of unaided achievement is the career of Judge Frank M. Silvia, special justice of the Second District Court of Bristol county, Massachusetts. A native of Fall River, Massachusetts, but dependent on his own initiative for his position in life, Judge Silvia has won high rank in the legal profession, and after distinguishing himself as a trial lawyer was appointed to the bench of Bristol county, and is now one of the constructive forces in social advance today. Judge Silvia is a son of Frank M. and Maria A. (Dutra) Silvia, both natives of the Azores Islands. They came to America in their youth and were married in Fall River about 1869. The father was for many years a steamship agent in this city but died in the year 1901, while the mother still (1923) survives him.

Frank M. Silvia was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, January 29, 1882. He attended the local public schools but found it necessary to become a wage earner as soon as he had completed the school course. He entered the employ of the Globe Street Railway Company as an office boy and remained with that concern for about eleven years, rising in the organization to the position of assistant cashier and eventually to claim agent. During this time, however, the young man was by no means idle even during his leisure hours, for he conceived an ambition to enter a professional career and allowed nothing to deter him from the accomplishment of his purpose. Even without a high school education (having attended the same but two years) he took up the necessary preparatory studies for the advanced courses to follow, also attending commercial school in the evenings, and eventually, during his activity as claim agent for the above concern, he entered Fall River School of Law in their evening classes, being admitted to the bar in 1911. Beginning practice in the Academy building, Judge Silvia went forward in his chosen profession with high courage and infinite faith in the future. His ability as a trial lawyer has been repeatedly demonstrated and he is considered one of the most able advocates in this part of the State. Many important cases were placed in his hands and he is distinguished as having won some of the cases involving the largest interests ever tried in Bristol county. The Mediros case, in which he won a verdict of \$7,700, is a noteworthy example. His defense in the famous Retkovitz murder case was considered a masterly achievement, and his success in securing the pardon of José DeMello, after having served twenty years in the State's prison, was considered another mark of large ability. Highly gifted as a speaker, Judge Silvia has swayed many audiences, both in the courtroom and in the various branches of public interest which he has taken up. His work as special justice of the Second District Court of Bristol county, to which he was appointed on June 30, 1920, reveals





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in him a broadly judicial mind, as well as the qualities which go to make an able advocate. During the three years of his service on the bench he has made a record of wise and just decisions and the people feel that his activities are contributing to the general welfare. On December 28, 1920, Judge Silvia was admitted to practice in the United States courts. For some years Judge Silvia has been considered a public servant of more than local importance. In 1915 his nomination as vice-consul of Portugal was considered at the suggestion of William J. Bryan, secretary of State. His appointment was received April 5, 1915, and he served until his resignation, March 18, 1919. His wide affiliations among the Portuguese societies make probable that the future will place him in broadly useful positions in the public service. He is a supporter and a local leader in the ranks of the Republican party.

In the world of finance of Fall River Judge Silvia is well known as attorney for the Fall River Trust Company, also as a leader in the organization of this company. In 1919 he served as first treasurer of the institution and is still clerk of the corporation, also a director. He is also one of the incorporators of the Citizens Savings Bank. During the World War he was very active in all the many branches of home endeavor. He was appointed by President Wilson in charge of one of the draft boards in Fall River, in which connection he served during their activity, and is a leading member of the Memorial Commission. Fraternally he is identified with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a leading member of the Knights of Columbus, of which he is advocate for Fall River Lodge, holding the fourth degree in the William Stang Assembly. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club and is also affiliated with the Quequechan Club and the Fall River Yacht Club. He is a member of the Santo Christo Roman Catholic Church.

Judge Silvia married, November 4, 1908, Eda A. Clorite of Fall River, and they have four children: Frank M., Jr.; Edward A., these two being students in the Junior High School; Louisa C., in grammar school; and Philip, in the primary school.

**RICHARD WASTCOAT**—Specializing in a single branch of mechanical production, Richard Wastcoat stands at the head of an important enterprise in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, as the present owner of the Evans Stamping and Plating Company. With practical ability, highly excellent training and long experience in the business world, Mr. Wastcoat entered this organization about thirteen years ago, as president, treasurer and general manager, and he has developed the interest to a marked degree. Mr. Wastcoat is a native of Taunton, and a son of Mortimer Wastcoat, who was for many years at the head of the Old Colony Iron Company of this city, continuing in this connection until his death, which occurred in the year 1899. The mother, Emmeline F. (Billings) Wastcoat, was born in Canton, Massachusetts, and died in 1911.

Richard Wastcoat was born in Taunton, Massa-

chusetts, April 1, 1878. His early education was acquired in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1896. He later entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, from which institution he was graduated in the class of 1900, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. His first business experience was in the employ of the Boston Bridge Works, in the capacity of estimator, and he was active thus for a period of three years. He then became identified with the Ellie-Chalmers Manufacturing Company, of New York City, manufacturing chemists of note. Acquiring a considerable interest in this concern, Mr. Wastcoat remained with the organization until the year 1908, when he withdrew. Interested in various activities for a time, he settled permanently in Taunton in 1910, purchasing the controlling stock of the Evans Stamping and Plating Company. This concern was established about forty years ago by James Evans, and following his death the plant was carried on by his son, Everett Evans, until 1910, when Mr. Wastcoat bought the enterprise. Under the trade mark of "Paragon Gears," this concern manufactures transmission gears for marine internal combustion engines, making this their sole product, and giving to the one line every possible endeavor in the way of constantly improving their methods and extending their activities to include every need of the market in this line. Occupying about 30,000 square feet of floor space and employing about seventy-five hands, this company is understood to be one of the largest in this field in the world, and they ship to every nation in the world. As the head of this important concern Mr. Wastcoat is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, of which he is at this time (1923) president. Broadly interested in every phase of public progress, he has nevertheless declined public honors and responsibilities, although now serving as a member of the Electric Light Commission. He was a member of the Coast Artillery Corps in 1911-13, with the rank of lieutenant, and during the World War served with Company D, 14th Regiment, Massachusetts State Guard, receiving his honorable discharge from the service on November 20, 1920, with the rank of captain. This company it was which handled the Boston police strike, remaining on duty for nearly three months, and receiving from Governor Coolidge special commendation for services performed during that trying time.

Mr. Wastcoat is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and also of all the Masonic bodies, including Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers, and holds membership in the Engineers' Club of Boston, the Old Guard of Massachusetts, the Winthrop, Bristol and Rotary clubs of Taunton, and the Segregansett Country Club. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Richard Wastcoat married, in 1911, Clara L. Prescott, of Boston, and they have three children: Virginia, born in 1913; Carolyn, born in 1914; and Richalie, born in 1916.

**CHARLES R. HODGES** is a noteworthy figure among the practical, substantial industrial executives of Taunton, Massachusetts, and as treasurer and general manager of the Taunton Knitting Company, he is widely known to the trade. He is a son of Charles E. Hodges, who was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and was a salesman by occupation. The mother, Mariana (Round) Hodges, was born in Norton, Massachusetts.

Charles R. Hodges was born at Norton, Massachusetts, November 10, 1887. His education was acquired in the public and high schools of Philadelphia, where the family resided for a number of years. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Hodges identified himself with the textile industry and was thus active for about fifteen years before becoming associated with the present concern. He then entered the Taunton Knitting Company, as treasurer and general manager, and has since been active in this double capacity, his former experience and his natural ability in grasping every detail counting largely in his success. This concern was established in 1905 under the name of the Taunton Knitting Company for the purpose of manufacturing men's and boys' underwear. With Franklin B. Williams as president, and Mr. Hodges filling the offices mentioned, the firm is doing a constantly increasing business. Their plant on Ingell street in Taunton contains about 35,000 square feet of floor space, and they employ upwards of one hundred and fifty people. This is the only concern manufacturing a similar line of goods in this section and their market is the entire country, the product being distributed throughout the United States. Mr. Hodges is further interested in the industrial life of Taunton as a director of the Bay State Crucible Company. His fraternal affiliation is with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Taunton and Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters. He is also a member of the Winthrop Club and the Associated Industries. He attends the Unitarian church.

Mr. Hodges married, in 1916, Ruth O. Olandorf, of Taunton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Hodges are the parents of two children: Ruth Emily, born in 1918; and Elaine Severance, born in 1919.

**THOMAS EDWARD LAHEY**—On the island of Jersey, the largest of the Channel Islands belonging to Great Britain, in the English Channel, fifteen miles west of the coast of France, Thomas E. Lahey was born June 2, 1862, a season of the year when the entire island seems like a continuous orchard dotted with picturesque villages. There he spent his earliest days but in his infancy his parents, John B. and Margaret (Knowles) Lahey, came to the United States, bringing their son. John B. Lahey, born in Ireland, was for many years foreman of the Fall River Gas Works Company. Margaret (Knowles) Lahey, born in Dublin, Ireland, died in 1914.

Thomas E. Lahey obtained his education in the public schools of Fall River and when school years were over he entered railroad employ, holding differ-

ent positions on the Old Colony railroad, including that of ticket agent, which he held for several years. In 1909 he resigned his position and established a warehousing business at Fall River, locating at No. 145 Central street, where he yet continues. He began in a modest way but he prospered abundantly, each year showing an increase over the previous year, his plant now four times its original size. In his fire-resisting buildings are stored new cotton in bales, cotton cloths, cotton yarn and other products valuable in the extreme. He is a director of the Fall River National Bank and of the Morris Plan Bank of Fall River. His business is firmly established on a paying basis and his success is assured.

During the war period, 1917-18, Mr. Lahey was acting president of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce in the absence of its president, who was in the service of his country. He is now a director of that body, of which he is a charter member. He is a member of Council No. 86, Knights of Columbus; the Rotary Club, Quequechan Club and Fall River Yacht Club, yachting being his favorite sport and recreation. He is a Democrat in politics and a member of the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. Lahey married, June 2, 1892, at Fall River, Massachusetts, Ida Kelley, born in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Lahey are the parents of two sons and a daughter: 1. Edward Vincent, born at Fall River, Massachusetts, July 3, 1893; served as an inspector of textiles for the government during the World War, 1917-18, and is now engaged in the automobile accessories business in New Bedford, Massachusetts. 2. Thomas, born at Fall River, April 11, 1896. During the World War he enlisted in the United States Navy and served on the flagship "New York" under Admiral Rodman, in Company I, 8th Division. He was in the service thirteen months overseas with the grand fleet, and was released from duty January 23, 1919, receiving his honorable discharge March 27, 1920. He is now associated in business with his father at Fall River. 3. Margaret M., born in January, 1899, a graduate of Sacred Heart Convent of Fall River, trained at Miss Fisher's School in Boston in kindergarten work, and is now teacher in the primary schools of Fall River.

**GEORGE HARRY BOOTH**—In special branches in construction activity George Harry Booth holds a broadly noteworthy position, and with interests centering in Fall River, Massachusetts, is giving to the progress of waterfront activities in this section the force of his natural ability and constructive effort. Mr. Booth is a son of George Booth, who was born in Lancashire, England, in the year 1846, and, coming to the United States at the age of about twenty-five years, became prominent in the textile industry as head dyer at the Swansea Dye Works. The mother, Mary E. (Fletcher) Booth, was also born in Lancashire, England, about 1846, but survived her husband for a number of years, passing away in 1899.

George Harry Booth was born in Swansea, Massachusetts, February 28, 1876. The family removing to Fall River when he was about five years of age,



he received his education in the public schools of this city. His opportunities were limited to the common school course, and at an early age he entered the employ of Westgate Brothers, wholesale and retail grocers, on Davol street, in the capacity of clerk. Mr. Booth spent fifteen years in this connection then became associated with J. C. Terry, a veteran wharf and shipbuilder and a native of Fall River, whose activities in this branch of construction work won him wide fame. Mr. Booth remained with Mr. Terry for fourteen years and for the greater part of that period, a full decade, he was active as superintendent. In the year 1915 Mr. Booth established himself in business as a general contractor, and since February, 1916, with other associates, he has been active as the head of the firm of Booth & Chase, Inc. This concern has since been active in the construction of waterfront work of every kind, and with offices at No. 29 Bedford street, Fall River, has taken an important part in this field of advance. They have done much work all along the New England coast, in Newport, Providence and Portsmouth, Rhode Island, and their contracts have done much to improve these harbors and increase their facilities. They built Coddington Point bridges and wharves, and the wharf work at Rhode Island Torpedo Station for the United States Navy, in connection with other World War activities. This is one of the largest dock and bridge building concerns in Bristol county and they have an immense floating equipment, power lighterage, etc. Mr. Booth has been largely instrumental in the development and present importance of this business, and he is considered one of the broadly representative executives of Fall River today. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce and fraternally is affiliated with the various York and Scottish Rite bodies of the Masonic order, including Massachusetts Consistory and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is further a member of the Patrons of Husbandry and the Herrick Club of Fall River, and his religious affiliation is with the First Baptist Church of Fall River.

George Harry Booth married, at Fall River, in 1896, Edith L. Braley, daughter of Ebenezer F. and Mary H. Braley, all natives of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Booth have one daughter: Margaret L., born in 1899, a graduate of the local high school and of Simmons College, class of 1921.

**MOSES ALTON BUFFINTON**—One of the most broadly noteworthy names in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is that of Buffinton, for men of this name have been leaders of progress for many generations, the industries, the professions and many branches of mercantile activity having felt the force of their constructive energy. Moses Alton Buffinton is representative not only of this family but of the best citizenship of this county and State, a man of practical ability and progressive spirit, always alert to the general welfare, and always eager to bear a part in worthy endeavor along any line of advance. Mr. Buffinton is a son of John Edward

Buffinton, who was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1838, and became one of the early coal merchants of this city. A man of large ability and quenchless ambition, yet his whole life ordered by a strict integrity, he became one of the successful business men of his generation, following the same line of commercial activity until his death, which occurred in 1910. He married Phoebe A. Kelley, who was born on Cape Cod, Massachusetts, in 1832, and died in Fall River in 1895.

Moses Alton Buffinton, son of these parents, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, November 14, 1864. His education was principally received in the local public schools, his subsequent attendance being only at the part time high school. As a young lad Mr. Buffinton entered the employ of the firm of J. Bowen & Company, prominent coal merchants of that day, and he remained with that concern for about one year, in the capacity of clerk. His next experience was with the Globe Coal Company, with which he was identified until the year 1889, when he organized the Bowenville Coal Company. Mr. Buffinton first acted as superintendent of this enterprise, but with its incorporation was elected treasurer, which responsible office he has since ably filled. In this capacity he takes a leading position in the business world of Bristol county, and is numbered among the really progressive and significant men of the day. The Bowenville Coal Company has become one of the most important in its field in New England, owning its own wharves and storehouses in Fall River, its offices being located at No. 86 Bedford street. Frank A. Horton is president of the concern, an able executive of the highest standing. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Buffinton has never sought nor accepted official honors, but bears a part in every line of public advance. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, and is prominent in club circles, being affiliated with the Quequechan, Country and Bowling Green clubs of Fall River, and the Pomham Club of Providence, Rhode Island. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Fall River, and serves on the standing committee of the church.

Moses Alton Buffinton married, at Versailles, Kentucky, in 1912, Ellen D. Witherspoon, daughter of Lister and Martinett (Viley) Witherspoon, these family names being among the most widely famed of that State. The Buffinton residence is at No. 301 Madison street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**ELBERT WINLEY LINCOLN**—A skilled workman and an experienced builder, Mr. Lincoln brings to his business the two chief requisites a contracting builder must possess in order to give builders of homes the satisfaction to which they are entitled. He has been engaged as a builder in Fall River, Massachusetts, since 1899, that city having been the family home since 1891. This branch of the Lincoln family settled in Sherburne, Vermont, where Newman M. Lincoln was born. He settled at Woodstock in that State, and here his son, Elbert W., was born and spent the first nineteen years of his life. Newman M. Lincoln was a veteran of nine

months' service in the Civil War, a farmer and a carpenter. He married Jennie Perkins, born at Perkinsville, Vermont, in 1849, died in 1877, her son Elbert W., then being five years of age. Newman M. Lincoln died at Pasadena, California, in 1916.

Elbert Wilney Lincoln, son of Newman M. and Jennie (Perkins) Lincoln, was born in Woodstock, Vermont, August 3, 1872. He was educated in the public schools and remained his father's assistant at the home farm until 1891, when Fall River, Massachusetts, became the family home. At Fall River Elbert W. Lincoln became a carpenter's apprentice, serving for three years under the instruction of Charles Tripp. After Mr. Tripp's death he entered the employ of Otis Gifford, a contractor and builder of the city, and with him he remained four years. At the age of twenty-seven, in 1899, he formed a partnership with his father they operating as Newman & Son, contractors and builders. Four years later he bought his father's interest and has since conducted the business under the firm name E. W. Lincoln, contractor and builder. He bought the property at No. 328 Durfee street, and here has his shops and does a general business in building and repairing. He has been very successful and bears an excellent reputation as a builder of integrity and ability.

Mr. Lincoln is a Republican in politics, a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with lodge and chapter; is a member of the Knights of Pythias, and of the Second Baptist Church.

He married, at Fall River, in 1895, Alice Goss, born at Fall River, Massachusetts, daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Crowther) Goss, her parents born in England. Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln are the parents of a daughter: Florence, wife of Roderick Kendall of South Woodstock, Vermont. The Lincoln home is No. 50 Bright street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**FREDERICK HERBERT COGGSHALL**—In the field of commercial printing Frederick Herbert Coggshall holds a leading position in Bristol county, Massachusetts, meeting the constant needs of the great industries of Providence and the Attleboros, and other communities in this part of the county. Mr. Coggshall is a son of Charles A. Coggshall, who was born in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, and died in 1915, after a long and successful career as a manufacturing jeweler. The mother, Ella (Wiley) Coggshall of Wilmington, Delaware, is still (1923), living.

Frederick Herbert Coggshall was born at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, July 12, 1879. His education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, and as a young man he learned the printer's trade at the printing house of the Pawtucket "Times." Remaining for a time after mastering the trade, Mr. Coggshall was affiliated with the "Times" for about five years and a half, after which he came to North Attleboro to enter the employ of the Mason Box Company. He was active with this concern for about eleven years, after the first year becoming foreman in their printing department. In

June, 1910, Mr. Coggshall established a printing business under the firm name of F. H. Coggshall & Company, then six months later assuming the present title of the F. H. Coggshall Company. First located at No. 376 Broadway, he later removed to No. 46 Orne street, where he conducted the business for a few years, but finally was obliged to find larger quarters. The Central building, No. 31 North Washington street, afforded him the opportunity that he was seeking. There occupying about 2,000 square feet of floor space, he employs from ten to twenty hands and is doing a large and constantly increasing business. In addition to a general line of jobbing and commercial printing, the F. H. Coggshall Company specializes in jeweler's cards, tissues and tags, and also manufactures a complete line of display novelties. Within the past few years this business has doubled its output, and Mr. Coggshall as the sole owner is considered one of the foremost men in this field in northeastern Massachusetts. He has few interests except those which align with his business, and is a member of the North Attleboro Board of Trade. By political affiliation he is a Republican, and he is a member of the Congressional church.

Mr. Coggshall married, in 1904, Abbie G. Adlington of Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard Island, Massachusetts daughter of Henry and Cornelia (Norton) Adlington, both natives of Massachusetts, and for many years residents of Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Coggshall have one son: Herbert A., born January 26, 1905, who was graduated from the North Attleboro High School in the class of 1923.

**ABBOTT F. LAWRENCE**—As treasurer and one of the active managers of the Winthrop Cotton Yarn Company of Taunton Massachusetts, Abbott F. Lawrence holds a prominent position in the business world of Bristol county. Trained for executive responsibility in commercial activities and with experience in another field of industrial advance, Mr. Lawrence brought to the organization with which he is now connected the ripe experience of the able man-of-affairs, and the growth and progress of the present enterprise under his hand have been remarkable. Mr. Lawrence is a son of Nathan Lawrence, who was born at Salem, Massachusetts, and died in 1902, after a useful life spent in the metal industries as a britania worker. The mother, Adaline (Leach) Lawrence, who was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts, died in the year 1906.

Abbott F. Lawrence was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, July 4, 1857. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he later attended Bristol Academy, then prepared for practical life-work at Bryant & Stratton's Business College at Providence Rhode Island. His first experience in the business world was in the employ of the Reed & Barton Silver Corporation of Taunton, with which concern he remained for a period of five years. He then became interested in the textile industry and built the Nemasket Mill at East Taunton, where he filled the office of treasurer of the company until the year 1900. Mr. Lawrence then sold out the





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interest in this concern and founded the Winthrop Cotton Yarn Company of Taunton, of which he has been treasurer since that time. This enterprise went forward under his executive attention and developed into a very important and prosperous industry. It is now one of the really significant concerns of the day in Bristol county, and its history in full is found in the chapter on industries, which forms one of the most significant portions of this work.

Mr. Lawrence has various affiliations in the business world of Taunton. His political affiliation is with the Republican party, but he has never permitted his name to be brought forward in connection with candidacy for public office. His fraternal affiliations are with Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In club circles Mr. Lawrence is a leading figure in Bristol county, being identified with the Winthrop Club, the Segregansett and Rhode Island Country clubs, the Seapuit and Acoaxet Golf clubs, and is a past member of the Vesper Club of Lowell, Massachusetts. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Lawrence married (first) Sarah J. White, and they were the parents of one child, Sarah L. He married (second) Sarah A. Briggs, and the only child of this marriage was C. Harland Lawrence, of further mention. He married (third) Edna M. Morrell, of Bar Harbor, Maine.

C. Harland Lawrence was born March 17, 1891, and his education was received in the high school, Phillips-Exeter Academy, and at Dartmouth College, class of 1913. Associated with his father in the Winthrop Cotton Yarn Company until the present time, he is one of the prominent young men of the day in Taunton. He enlisted in the 303rd Infantry, served during the World War, and was discharged with the rank of second lieutenant. He is prominent socially, being a member of the Winthrop Club, the Segregansett Country and the Kennel clubs, the latter of which he is secretary.

**FRANCIS RICHARD SANFORD**—At the age of eighteen Francis Richard Sanford began a connection with the cotton manufacturing interest which has continued for more than a quarter of a century, during which he has represented or been connected with textile manufacturing corporations in Fall River and New Bedford, Massachusetts, Vicksburg, Mississippi, Providence, Rhode Island, New Orleans, Louisiana, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as cotton classer, salesman inspector and selling agent. The experience gained in these fields he has utilized in establishing a business under his own name as a cotton broker in Fall River the city in which he began his business career in 1895. He has been successful in his various activities and has fairly won the good name he bears as a cotton expert and reliable man of business. He is a son of John Arnold and

Margaret Ann (Richards) Sanford, his father a cotton manufacturer.

Francis Richard Sanford was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, May 12, 1877. He was educated in the public schools of Fall River, Massachusetts, finishing the courses of High Street Grammar School in 1891. He then attended B. M. C. Durfee High School for three years, supplementing his public school education with one year at Bryant & Stratton's College, Providence, Rhode Island. In 1895 he entered upon his business career, becoming cotton classer at the Globe Yarn Mills, holding that position for three years. In 1898 he transferred his services to the New England Cotton Yarn Company of New Bedford, Massachusetts, serving that corporation in the same capacity for the following three years, going thence, in 1901, still as a cotton classer, to W. C. Craig & Company of Vicksburg, Mississippi, remaining for two years. From 1903 until 1905 he was cotton salesman for George N. McFadden & Brothers, of Providence, Rhode Island; from 1905 until 1907 was a cotton inspector for the same company at New Orleans, Louisiana, and for five years (1907-1912) was their cotton inspector at Philadelphia, having been with that house for nine years in the three cities, Providence, New Orleans, and Philadelphia. During 1913 Mr. Sanford was selling agent for W. C. Craig & Company of Fall River, and in 1914 he established in business for himself at Fall River as a cotton broker.

In 1898, during the Spanish-American War period, Mr. Sanford served in Battery M, First Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers; is a Republican in politics, an attendant of the Unitarian church of Fall River, and a member of the Quequechan and Country clubs of Fall River. He married, at Fall River, May 12, 1919, Alice Davis Peirce, daughter of Elisha Kempton and Mary Catherine (Lasus) Peirce.

**HENRY BRADBURY**—A prominent figure in construction circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Henry Bradbury, whose position as the head of H. Bradbury & Sons gives him wide influence in the business world and places him among the important contractors of Fall River. A native of England, Mr. Bradbury has been a resident of Fall River for the past thirty-five years and more, and for nearly fourteen years has been engaged in business for himself. He is a son of Charles Bradbury, who was born in Derbyshire, England, and spent his lifetime in his native country.

Henry Bradbury was born in Mossley, England, near the city of Manchester, April 29, 1850. Coming to the United States in May, 1888, Mr. Bradbury settled permanently in Fall River before the close of the year and was engaged as a carpenter from that time forward until the year 1910, when he established the present interest. He has since done business under the name of H. Bradbury & Sons, having received as equal partners his sons, Charles and Ralph. They have built many residences, commercial structures, especially garages and other general carpenter and construction work.

They act as contractors, subletting the masonry and plumbing work, and in their shop at the rear of No. 2 Grove street they have a complete power equipment for turning columns and doing a general line of mill work. A progressive and forward-looking man of the day, with few interests outside his business affairs, yet a supporter of all that tends to the public advance, Mr. Bradbury is a thoroughly representative figure in the business life of Fall River. A Republican by political affiliation, although never an office seeker, he is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is identified with Friendly Union Lodge, No. 164, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past grand. He attends the Unitarian church.

Henry Bradbury married, in England, in 1874, Mally Schofield, who was born in 1851, and is a daughter of Jerry and Mary (Brierly) Schofield. Mr. and Mrs. Bradbury are the parents of seven children: Charles, born in 1875; Ralph, born in 1877; Jerry, born in 1879; Walter, born in 1883; Frank, born in 1885, for seven years sergeant in the United States Signal Corps, stationed at Washington, D. C.; Alice, born in 1887, now the wife of James Cookson of Lawrence, Massachusetts; and Annie, born in 1889.

**HARRY CARLOW**—In various lines of commercial and industrial advance, Harry Carlow has for many years been identified with the business life of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and he became one of the early dealers in automobile supplies, accessories, etc., in Taunton. He has now for twenty-two years been at the head of a business of this nature and has developed one of the most important interests of its kind in this section. A practical mechanic, and always keeping pace with the movement of the times, Mr. Carlow gives to the motoring public the most excellent service, and his reputation is by no means a matter of local importance only. He has become widely known and is sought by motor tourists from distant points when in this part of the country.

Harry Carlow was born at East Dennis, Barnstable county, Massachusetts, July 30, 1872. Receiving a practical education in the public schools of his birthplace, the young man learned the machinist's trade in the employ of the Mason Machine Works of Taunton, where he continued for four years. Thereafter, for a number of years, he worked as a marine engineer. Upon his return to Taunton, Mr. Carlow engaged in the manufacture of confectionery, and with headquarters at No. 34 Winthrop street, he carried forward a prosperous enterprise at that location for about four years. He then removed to Howard street, purchased the Briggs block on that street, and continued the manufacture of confectionery and ice cream, also operated a store at the corner of Main and Weir streets, known as H. Carlow & Company, where these products were retailed, also the principal market was of a wholesale nature. They also acted as wholesale dealers in tobacco, and during the period of his connection with this enterprise Mr. Carlow

served as manager of the Taunton branch of the Turner Center Dairy Association. In 1901 Mr. Carlow entered a wholly different field, the indications of the time distinctly pointing to the future importance of the automobile. He purchased the property at Nos. 51-61 Weir street, and under the name of the Carlow Automobile Company, Inc., established a business along the line of sales, storage, supplies, accessories and repairs. He represented for a number of years some of the early makes of automobiles, but with the passing of time the service departments became of equal importance. They now have a main building with about 25,000 square feet of floor space, equipped to do all kinds of machine work, painting, etc., and also have a filling station, located on the same street, which was erected in 1920, and this interest is considered one of the foremost in its field in Bristol county, employing about twenty-five people. Mr. Carlow is treasurer of this corporation and from the first has been the moving spirit and leader. He has from time to time acquired a financial interest in various other enterprises in Taunton and elsewhere; is the president of the Morris Plan Bank of Taunton; a director of the Weir Cooperative Bank; a trustee of the Bristol County Savings Bank; the treasurer of the Sherwood Curtain Company; is the New England representative of the Ahrens Fox Fire Engine Company of Cincinnati, Ohio; and during the World War was chairman of the Home Service Work and was prominent in all the Liberty Loan drives and in Red Cross work.

Fraternally he is connected with Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Lodge of Perfection, Princes of Jerusalem, Rose Croix Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Segregansett Country, and he is a member of the Social Welfare League, of which he is a director. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Carlow married, in 1908, Edith H. Anthony, of New Bedford, daughter of Daniel A. and Carrie (Davis) Anthony. Mr. and Mrs. Carlow are the parents of one child: Harriet A., who was born September 16, 1909.

**LOUIS SWIG**—A leading figure in professional circles in Taunton, Massachusetts, is Louis Swig, whose success in his chosen field of activity has brought him into general notice and has led to his extensive usefulness in the public service. The first generation of his family born under the Stars and Stripes, Mr. Swig gives to the land of his birth the loyalty of the patriot and the daily fealty of the progressive and self-respecting citizen, devoting his abilities to the public advance as well as to his own personal interests. He is a son of Simon and Fannie Swig, both natives of Russia, who came to the United States in their youth, and his father has for many years been a successful publisher.

Louis Swig was born in the city of Springfield,



Massachusetts, July 30, 1882. He is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1901, and later attending Boston University Law School, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1906, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar of the State of Massachusetts in the year 1905, Mr. Swig began the practice of his chosen profession in Taunton. He has won his way to an enviable position in local professional circles. An able advocate, and broadly familiar with the many aspects of the law in its relation to the countless activities of life, he has developed a very extensive practice and is numbered among the very successful professional men of Bristol county. He is interested in various lines of endeavor in the city and its environs, and holds a prominent place in financial circles as the president and one of the founders of the Old Colony Coöperative Bank of Taunton. In the public life of the city he has for some years been active, having served as chairman of the Parks Commission, also as a member of the Committee on Sinking Fund. In the three successive years, 1917-18-19, Mr. Swig served as delegate to the Constitutional Convention from the Third Bristol District. He is now special justice of the First District Court of Bristol county. He was a member of the 9th Company, Coast Artillery Corps, with the rank of corporal. During the World War he was a member of the Legal Advisory Board, and was one of the leading "four-minute" speakers of this section. He received a certificate in commendation of his usefulness during that trying period from the United States Government. Broadly interested in all that pertains to civic welfare and general advance, Mr. Swig is a member of the American Bar Association, also of the Taunton Bar Association, and his standing in the profession is well appraised by the fact that he was elected to the presidency of the latter organization for the three consecutive years of 1913-14-15.

His fraternal connections include membership in Warren Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; also Good Samaritan Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of which he is past grand; and Touro Lodge, Independent Order of B'Nai B'rith, of which he is president. Mr. Swig was vice-president of his class at the Boston University Law School, and is widely affiliated socially, being a member of the Middlesex Club and the New Century Club, and having formerly been a member of the Boston Press Club. His religious faith is that of his fathers, and he is a faithful attendant upon the services of the Synagogue.

Mr. Swig married, in 1911, Pauline Zuckerman, of New York City, daughter of Nathan and Hannah Zuckerman, and three children have been born to this union: Sydel H., in 1914; Irving J., in 1916; and Ruth G.

**WILLIAM H. PRESTON, JR.**—In the distribution of automobiles in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, William H. Preston, Jr., is a leading figure as sales manager of the firm of Brownell & Burt, representatives in Taunton of the Ford automobiles.

Mr. Preston has been identified with the sales end of the automobile business since completing his education and is counted among the noteworthy young men of the day in this field. He is a son of William H. Preston, who was born in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and is a successful druggist of Boston, Massachusetts. The mother, Edith V. (James) Preston, was born in Syracuse, New York.

William H. Preston, Jr., was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts, April 7, 1895. His education was obtained in the public schools of Dorchester, and following the high school course, he attended Boston University, where he covered a practical commercial course. He then entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the aviation department, and upon the completion of his studies, became identified with the automobile trade in Cambridge, Massachusetts, as sales supervisor for the Ford Motor Company in that city. He was active in this connection for a number of years. He came to Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1921 to become identified with the firm of Brownell & Burt, Ford distributors for this city, in the capacity of sales manager. This firm is an old one in Taunton, having been founded in October, 1875, for the purpose of manufacturing carriages and coaches. They went forward along this line for many years, but with the introduction of the automobile and the decline in the carriage industry, they entered the newer field and became prominent as manufacturers of automobile bodies. They also do a considerable amount of repair work, but their principal interest now is the distribution of Ford cars, and in this connection they are counted among the foremost concerns of Taunton, their sales approximating five hundred cars per year. Mr. Preston has been largely responsible for the marked increase in the business of the firm since his connection with the organization. During the World War Mr. Preston held the rank of second lieutenant in the Aero Section, Signal Reserve Corps, and was active as an instructor in aviation. He is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is identified with Belmont Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His clubs are: The Winthrop, Lions International, the Segregansett Country, and the Aero of Massachusetts. He is also a member of the National Aero Association, the Boston Automobile and the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church.

Mr. Preston married, on April 6, 1917, Esther Billings Smith, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, daughter of Ralph W. and Ina B. (Lockhart) Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Preston are the parents of one child: Richard V., born June 26, 1921.

**FRANK L. LOCKLIN**—In one of the far-reaching branches of welfare work in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Frank L. Locklin is a leading executive, as secretary of the Manufacturers' and Employers' Association of Taunton. Mr. Locklin has been identified with both professional and industrial activities and has thereby come in close touch with

varied conditions and has become familiar with many branches of human endeavor. Thus he is particularly well-fitted for the responsibilities and privileges of his present position, and his work in bringing together the manufacturers and employers of Taunton is constructive in a marked degree. Mr. Locklin is a son of Henry N. Locklin, who was born in Jericho, Vermont, and was engaged as a merchant throughout his active lifetime, now being retired. The mother, Emma F. (Bowman) Locklin, was born in Milton, Massachusetts, and is also still living.

Frank L. Locklin was born in Suffolk county, Massachusetts, May 30, 1875. His education was begun in the public schools of the city of Boston, and continued in the Dorchester High School, from which he graduated with the class of 1891, and later spent two years at the Young Men's Christian Association Law School of Boston. Mr. Locklin's first experience was in the office of an attorney, but after a time he entered the employ of the Boston & Northern Street Railway Company, in the capacity of clerk in the auditing department. He was later transferred to the engineering department. After several years in this connection Mr. Locklin became identified with the Southern Division of the Bay State Street Railway Company, in the capacity of auditor, where he continued until February 1, 1918. His activities in the street railway world brought him constantly in touch with the conditions of the working man, and it was with broad familiarity with conditions both in this direction and in the realm of the employer that Mr. Locklin took up the duties of his present position. As secretary of the Manufacturers' and Employers' Association of Taunton, he is doing much good, his work counting materially toward a better understanding between capital and labor and more closely united effort along all progressive lines in the world of industry. This organization has offices in the Taylor block, at No. 14 Taunton Green, and in his endeavors for a common cause, Mr. Locklin has the cordial support of all the prominent manufacturing concerns of the city. Mr. Locklin was made secretary of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce on June 1, 1923. Interested in a broadly constructive way in many allied lines of effort, Mr. Locklin is a director of the Boys' Club of Taunton, also of the Social Welfare League. He is a member of the Laymen League and the New England Street Railway Club, and in every branch of endeavor which has been instituted to safeguard the welfare of the people or advance the industrial activities of the day, he is an active worker. His more personal interests include membership in Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Lodge No. 29, of Attleboro; Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Providence, Rhode Island; and Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His clubs are the Bristol, the Winthrop, the Segregansett Country, the Thistle and the Heather, the latter of Lily Bay,

Maine. His religious affiliation is with St. Thomas' Episcopal Church.

Mr. Locklin married, in 1900, Lillian A. Landt, of Hyde Park, Massachusetts, daughter of Henry and Mary A. (Stone) Landt. Mr. and Mrs. Locklin are the parents of one child, Henry N., (2), born June 6, 1901, a graduate of Bradford Durfee Textile School.

**LUTHER DEAN**—As an investment and security broker, Luther Dean is doing a very extensive business in Taunton, Massachusetts, and his long experience in various branches of construction engineering gives him a comprehensive familiarity with many phases of activity which bear upon the investment field. His success in his earlier affiliations is being duplicated in his present activities and he is numbered among the really progressive men of the day in Bristol county, Massachusetts. Mr. Dean is a son of David Dean, who was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and who was for many years deputy sheriff of Bristol county, in which office he continued until his death, which occurred in 1913. The mother, Dordana (Macomber) Dean, was also born in Taunton, and she died at an early age, in 1876.

Luther Dean, son of these parents, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 21, 1867. His early education was acquired in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1884. Thereafter he entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, but after about a year and a half was compelled to leave on account of his health. Entering later into the general field of civil engineering and contracting, Mr. Dean was active thus for about twenty-five years, his work taking him to many parts of the United States at different times. During this period he handled many large, important contracts of various kinds, his most noteworthy achievement, perhaps, having been the building of an electric interurban railroad in Texas. This was accomplished in 1912 and 1913, Mr. Dean acting as chief engineer, at the same time being vice-president and manager of the construction company which built the road. They completed nearly two hundred miles of railroad fully equipped, in a period of twenty-one months, which constituted a record at that time, and the cost of building this road was several million dollars. It was on such a scale as this and in activities as important and as constructive in their significance that Mr. Dean has spent the greater part of his career. In 1919 he engaged offices at No. 37 Broadway, moving in 1920 to No. 43 Taunton Green, in the city of Taunton, and opened his present business in investments and securities as a broker. He ranks high in this field, and his judgment is considered excellent, the foremost business men of the day frequently consulting him in a professional capacity. Mr. Dean is also a director of the East Taunton Coöperative Bank, and was at one time city engineer of Taunton. Mr. Dean is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Fraternally he is a member of King



David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He is further a member of the Winthrop Club, and his religious affiliation is with the Winslow Congregational Church.

Mr. Dean married, in 1891, Jessie L. Bragg, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Jesse and Katharine (Pillsbury) Bragg.

**CHARLES W. DAVOL**—A broadly representative citizen of Taunton, Massachusetts, is Charles W. Davol, who has for some years been at the head of one of the leading printing establishments of Bristol county. Entering the organization immediately following the completion of his education at Harvard College. Mr. Davol has been identified with its progress for more than twenty-five years and is now the successor of his late father. He is a son of Ezra Davol, who was born in Taunton and became one of the widely noteworthy men of this city. He founded the present business in the year 1858, making this the oldest printing business in this part of Bristol county, which has been in continuous activity since its organization. Ezra Davol was a man of progressive spirit and was highly esteemed in the community, his lofty ideals and unquestionable integrity placing him among those men whose activities contribute in more than the material sense to the public progress. He was interested in every phase of community advance, and was a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society. He died April 9, 1911. The mother, Arabella M. (White) Davol, was also born in Taunton, and died in 1893.

Charles W. Davol was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 12, 1878. Receiving his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1897. Thereafter entering Harvard University, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1901, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. At once becoming identified with his father in the printing business, Mr. Davol mastered the trade and familiarized himself with the affairs of the business office. He was soon able to carry considerable responsibility, and the growth and development of the business since that time stands largely to his credit. Upon the death of his father, which occurred in 1911, Charles W. Davol became sole owner of the business and has continued thus until the present time. He handles a general line of printing, but specializes on printing work for the industries, particularly the textile mills of this section. Mr. Davol is interested in various other commercial, industrial and financial enterprises in Bristol county. He is a director of the Morris Plan Bank of Taunton, the Hingham Fire Insurance Company of Hingham, Massachusetts, the Taunton Gas Light Company, the Attleboro Gas Light Company, is a member of the Board of Investment, and trustee of the Bristol County Savings Bank, and a director and trustee of the Taunton Construction Trust. Fraternally he is a member

of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and various other Masonic bodies, including Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Boston. He is a member, also director and treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, and a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society. His clubs are the Harvard, of which he is a director, the Winthrop, and the Segregansett, of which he is also a director. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Davol married, in 1903, Katharine Reed, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of William and Katharine (Hale) Reed. Mr. and Mrs. Davol are the parents of two children: Katharine T., born in 1905, a graduate of Taunton High School, and now (1923) a student at the House in the Pines, at Norton, Massachusetts; and Rosamond, born in 1907, a graduate of the Taunton High School, a student at Rogers Hall School, of Lowell.

**EDWIN R. McCORMICK**—In the younger professional group of Taunton, Massachusetts, Edwin R. McCormick is a noteworthy figure, his activities in this city dating back for only about two years, but his former experience in New York City and his service in the United States Army brings him into a position of prominence. Mr. McCormick is a native of this city and a member of an old Taunton family. Hugh H. McCormick, Mr. McCormick's father, was born in Taunton, and died March 4, 1912. He had the distinction of being the oldest man in point of service in the police department of the city at the time of his death, then holding the rank of lieutenant of police. The mother, Jane A. (Driscoll) McCormick, still survives her husband and resides in Taunton.

Edwin R. McCormick was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, February 25, 1890. His education was begun in the local public schools and he is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1907. For his course in the liberal arts he entered Holy Cross College, of Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Thereafter entering Fordham University School of Law, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1916, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Meanwhile, Mr. McCormick taught at the Loyola School, from 1912-1917. Admitted to the bar of the State of New York in 1916, Mr. McCormick took up his practice in New York City and was active there until the year 1921, when he was admitted to the bar of Massachusetts and became a member of the noted law firm of Hall, Hall & Washburn, in Taunton. He is still active in this connection, and is taking a prominent position in his chosen profession in Taunton. Mr. McCormick's military record began with his enlistment in April, 1918, in the 155th Company, Depot Brigade. He was sent to Camp Upton, New York, and was later transferred to the Officers' Training School at Camp Lee, Virginia, where he was commissioned

second lieutenant in September, 1918. Thereafter he was returned to Camp Upton and assigned to duty with the 89th Infantry Division, but the armistice intervened before he was called into active service, and he received his honorable discharge in 1919, with the rank of second lieutenant. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus. His religious affiliation is with Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

**WILLIAM ROBERT PARK, JR.**—A well-rounded life, reaching out in many lines of organized advance, and devoted to those interests which count for permanent good in every field, William Robert Park, Jr., is a man of more than usual prominence in Bristol county, Massachusetts. He is a son of William R. Park, who was born in the State of Connecticut, and died July 26, 1921, in Taunton, after many years of wide usefulness as a high class mechanic of his day. The mother, Ann E. (Eldridge) Park, was born in Taunton, and died in 1901.

William Robert Park, Jr., was born in Boston, Massachusetts, August 29, 1867. Receiving a practical education in the public schools of Taunton, where the family removed in his childhood, he returned to Boston as a young man, and entered the employ of the Park Injector Company, in which connection he was active for about three years. Thereafter becoming associated with the firm of William R. Park & Son, of Taunton, he took a constructive part in the progress of this organization, and for some thirteen years has been the sole owner and manager of the enterprise. This business was founded in 1889 by William R. Park, Sr., along the lines of steamfitting, plumbing and sheet metal work, and was first located on Court street, where it has since been continuously carried forward and still stands. Thirty employees now handle the work of the enterprise, operating within a radius of about fifteen miles. This concern is ranked as a pioneer in this field in Taunton, and is now considered the largest. Mr. Park is active in the world of finance as a director of the Bristol County Trust Company, the Bristol County Savings Bank, and also of the Taunton Morris Plan Company. He takes a deep interest in all benevolent endeavor, and serves as a trustee and a member of the board of directors of the Morton Hospital. During the World War he was one of the foremost leaders in the city of Taunton on all Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives, and every campaign for the raising of funds for patriotic or civic progress has his loyal aid and support. Mr. Park is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, the National Heating and Piping Contractors' Association, the National and State Associations of Master Plumbers, and is a worker for all forward movements in the trade. He is one of the foremost members of the Taunton Young Men's Christian Association, was for several years president of this organization, and was one of the most active of

Taunton's residents in the building of the present fine building of the association, personally raising \$36,000 in the first solicitation of funds in the year 1900. For five years he was president of the Swarthmore Chautauqua Association, and is a leading member of the Winthrop and Rotary clubs, president of the latter. A member of the Winthrop Street Baptist Church, Mr. Park was vice-president of the Boston Baptist Social Union. Gifted with unusual musical talent, and possessing a fine voice, he acted as the leader of music at the above church during 1917 and up to the present writing (1923), and has been broadly instrumental in providing the people with a high grade of musical entertainment, presiding at cantatas and in oratorio work. He has also led the singing at the Rotary Club since its inception. In January, 1919, Mr. Park was the founder of the Taunton Orchestral Club, which he now maintains.

Mr. Park married, on October 28, 1891, Martha E. Hodges, of Taunton, daughter of Lewis B. and H. Elizabeth (Godfrey) Hodges, her father a native of Taunton and her mother of Norton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Park are the parents of two sons: Robert H., a graduate of Amherst College, class of 1916, degree of Bachelor of Arts; and Russell J., a graduate of Taunton High School, who served during the World War in the Motor Transportation Corps, with the rank of sergeant and master engineer.

**FRANK B. MANNING**—A native of the city of Fall River, Massachusetts, reared in its traditions and educated in its institutions, Frank B. Manning after a few years of experience in business endeavor became a public servant in one of the most vital and practical branches of the civic administration, the Department of Street, and for the past twenty years has served with ability in this connection. Mr. Manning comes of a prominent family of Massachusetts, for many years located at Wareham, Massachusetts, and his maternal line is an old and honored family of Ireland. He is a son of Thomas H. and Mary A. (Dunn) Manning. His father, who was born in Wareham, removed to Fall River as a young lad of about twelve years, and was there engaged in the nail mills for several years, but more recently has been identified with the street department of the city. The mother was born in Ireland and came to this country as a child with her parents, the family settling in Fall River, and she is also still living.

Frank B. Manning was born at Fall River, August 20, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he later took a practical course at Schoemaker & Clark's Business College in Fall River. His first experience was in the packing department of Marshall's Hat Factory, and while engaged in this connection, Mr. Manning attended night school to make special preparations for taking the civil service examinations. This he did in April, 1903, and was appointed time-keeper in the Department of Streets in the city of Fall River.



Frank B. Wainwright





He has since been continuously active in this department, filling various positions of constantly increasing responsibility. He was promoted to assistant superintendent in the year 1913 and three years later to superintendent of the department, in which important position he is still active. Under Mr. Manning's administration the streets of the city have been greatly improved, and it is considered that he has brought them to a point where they are equal to any streets in New England cities of similar population. With forward looking spirit and with practical ability Mr. Manning stands as a thoroughly representative man of Bristol county, active in all that makes for civic righteousness and municipal well-being, and his ceaseless attention to the duties which evolve upon him and his efficient and forceful management of the work placed in his charge have commanded the highest esteem, both of his associates in his public service and of the people of the city. Mr. Manning is also a member of the Advisory Board, which acts in conjunction with the Board of Aldermen on the matter of underground conduits and other matters which affect the street department. His fraternal affiliations include membership in Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Foresters of America.

Mr. Manning married, in 1909, Elizabeth K. Schearer of Fall River, and they have three children: Franklin B., now a junior in the Fall River High School; Elizabeth B.; and Allan S.

**RANDALL DEAN**—The field of insurance and real estate in Taunton, Massachusetts, commands the activities of a group of largely progressive and public-spirited executives of whom Randall Dean is a figure worthy of more than usual prominence. For many years identified with the business progress of his native city of Taunton, Mr. Dean is esteemed by all who know him, and his interest in any cause or movement marks it as one worthy of the consideration and support of all progressive citizens. Mr. Dean is a son of Joseph Dean, who was for many years prominent in the city of Taunton. He is, perhaps best remembered as the man who built the structure which is now the home of the Old Colony Historical Society, of which he was a life-member. This building was first erected as a mission church and was sold to the society by Mr. Dean. He married Martha A. Williams, who was a member of a very old family of Taunton. He died in 1888, while his wife survived him for thirty-four years, passing away in 1922, at the great age of ninety years.

Randall Dean was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, July 7, 1866. Educated in the public and high schools of his birthplace, Mr. Dean has spent his lifetime in this city. His first experience in the business world was in the employ of F. R. Washburn, a well known hardware merchant. After four years in this connection, Mr. Dean resigned to enter into another business. Mr. Dean accepted a position with the firm of E. T. Jackson & Com-

pany, leading insurance agents of Taunton, and remained with them until July 1, 1908, when he purchased the interest. He went forward without making any change in the firm name until July 1, 1919, when the title became Randall, Dean & Company. Mr. Dean has been largely successful in his present field, and in addition to handling a general line of insurance, he is also a prominent operator and broker in real estate and takes a constructive part in local and nearby activities along these allied lines. Mr. Dean is a member of the board of trustees of the Bristol County Savings Bank, and is the clerk of the corporation. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Weir Coöperative Bank. He is an influential member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Ancient Order of United Workmen; and the Royal Arcanum. He is a member of the Winthrop Club, the Young Men's Christian Association; and the Old Colony Historical Society. He attends the Unitarian church, of which he is a member.

Mr. Dean married, in 1890, Ada M. Leonard, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Henry W. and Ellen (Ingells) Leonard. Mr. and Mrs. Dean are the parents of two children. 1. Joseph Randall, who is a graduate of Phillips-Exeter Academy, was a student at Harvard University for two years, and is now associated with his father as a member of the firm of Randall, Dean & Company, insurance and real estate. 2. Marion L., attended the public schools of Taunton and also Wheaton Seminary at Norton.

**GEORGE H. BURT**—As the executive head of the widely known automobile firm, Brownell & Burt, Inc., George H. Burt holds a very prominent position in the business world of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts. He has been identified with the concern since its organization, nearly a half a century ago, and from the beginning his energy and business ability have meant much to the progress and growth of the enterprise. Mr. Burt comes of a family long prominent in the industries, and is a son of Allen B. Burt, who was born in Taunton. The line reaches back to Richard Burt, one of the original settlers of this city. Allen B. Burt was active throughout his lifetime as a machinist of ability, and died in 1889. He married Almira A. Arnold, who is a native of Rhode Island, and who died in 1854, when the subject of this sketch was an infant.

George H. Burt, son of these parents, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, May 31, 1854. His early education was received in the local public schools, and he prepared for a business career at the Bryant & Stratton Commercial College of Boston, where he gained a broadly practical preparation for his future. As a young man Mr. Burt learned the trade of carriage-making in the factory of George L. Brownell, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, spending three and one-half years in that connection and mastering what was then one of the most desirable

trades of the time. In October, 1875, he returned to Taunton and established the firm of Brownell & Burt for the purpose of manufacturing the finer type of carriages and coaches then in demand. They were first located on Broadway, then, with the growth of the business, were obliged to secure larger quarters. After some search they obtained a desirable location and erected a building at No. 10 Washington street, to which they removed in 1881. They are still located at this address, but whereas their interests were at that time housed in a small building, they have made important additions from time to time until now they have about 40,000 square feet of floor space. With the great change which has taken place in conditions through the passing of the horse-drawn vehicle and the universal adoption of the automobile, the firm of Brownell & Burt, Inc., has kept pace with the times, and for years they have made automobile bodies, having discontinued carriage work entirely. They do a great deal of repair work on automobiles as well. Within recent years this firm has taken over the distribution of Ford cars in Taunton, and in this field also they are doing a very extensive and constantly increasing business, their sales approximating five hundred cars per year. In their production and repair departments they employ thirty highly skilled workmen. Mr. Burt is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is affiliated with Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Naomi Encampment of the same order, of which he is past chief patriarch. He is also past grand of King Philip Lodge, No. 44, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, also a director of the building committee, and has been a member of the organization since 1879. He is a member of the Taunton Automobile Club, and his religious connection is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Burt married, in 1883, Ella R. Gegenheimer, of Saco, Maine, daughter of Jacob and Julia (Patterson) Gegenheimer.

**R. LORING HAYWARD**—In the interesting and broadly useful field of landscape engineering, Mr. Hayward holds a leading place in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and with interests centering in Taunton, is handling a very extensive practice. Trained for his chosen field of activity in one of the foremost institutions of the East, he has taken a significant place in the public advance and is going forward to large success. Mr. Hayward is a son of Edward Belcher Hayward, who was born in Easton, Massachusetts, and is a member of a very old family of that section, prominent in various lines of commercial, professional and industrial activity for many generations. Edward B. Hayward is a leading civil engineer of the day in Easton and Brockton. The mother, Mary Ann (Wheaton) Hayward, was born in Salisbury, New Brunswick, Canada, and is also still living, her home in Easton.

R. Loring Hayward was born at Easton, Massachusetts, January 13, 1888. Following his elemen-

tary and intermediate studies at the public schools, he was graduated from the Oliver Ames High School, in the class of 1905, and the following year was graduated from Dean Academy. He then took a special course in preparation for his life-work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His professional activities include, in addition to early training under his father, two years with the Massachusetts Harbor and Land Commission on town boundary work in western Massachusetts, one year in Panama and Costa Rica on exploration for the Costa Rica-Panama Boundary Commission, and one year in Evanston, Illinois, preparing data for the report of that commission. After further studies at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he came to Taunton, in 1915, and opened offices in the Crocker building, where he is still located.

In addition to landscape work for private individuals, Mr. Hayward has been prominent as a consultant to the Massachusetts Commission on Mental Diseases, in the development of their various institutions, and has assisted in the planning of institutions in Tennessee and Louisiana. He also is consulting engineer to the Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Game, planning the installation of fishways throughout the State. His work is contributing definitely to the progress and development of the cities and towns of Bristol county and vicinity, its educational influence being not the least important phase. Fraternally he is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters. He is further a member of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Alumni Association, Taunton Technology Club, and a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society. His religious affiliation is with the Winslow Congregational Church.

Mr. Hayward married, in 1916, Ruth a Faunce, of Marlborough, Massachusetts, daughter of Ernest L. and Laura (Draper) Faunce. Mr. and Mrs. Hayward are the parents of three children: Loring Faunce, born in 1918; Richard Bascom, born in 1919; and Barbara, born in 1921.

**WILLIAM A. RAYMENT**—Highly skilled as a craftsman, and possessing large administrative ability, William A. Rayment is bearing a broadly significant part in the industrial life of Taunton, Massachusetts, in an enterprise somewhat out of the ordinary. This is the New England Brass Company, of which he is general manager and metallurgist, the activities of the enterprise being the rolling and distributing of metal to the silver and jewelry crafts. A native of England, educated in that country and trained for his work there, Mr. Rayment has been in the United States for the past thirty years and has taken a deep interest, not only in the industries of the nation, but in the general progress of the people. He is a son of Albert Rayment, who was born and died in England, and was a goldsmith by trade. His death, which occurred in 1907, removed from this field of endeavor a man

of constructive and progressive ability. The mother, Sophia (Ridgeley) Rayment, was also born in England, and died in 1905.

William A. Rayment was born in London, England, June 30, 1867. His formal education was acquired in the public schools of his native city, and he served an apprenticeship with the firm of Edward Barnard & Company of London, one of the leading silver manufacturing concerns of Great Britain. For the quality of his work, he was given the freedom of London. This honor placed him among the leading men in his field in that country, and when he came to America in 1893, he became identified with the world-famous Tiffany & Company of New York City. After two years' connection with that concern, Mr. Rayment accepted a position with the Reed & Barton Silver Works of Taunton, later becoming superintendent of their plant, and in this connection he had under his supervision about 1,000 employees. He remained with this concern in the same capacity until forming his present affiliation as one of the organizers and founders of the New England Brass Company. This enterprise was established in 1916, for the purpose of rolling and distributing various metals in forms suitable for the silver and jewelry industries. Mr. Rayment's familiarity with the production end of the business, and his comprehensive knowledge of metallurgy, gives him excellent equipment for his activities as general manager of this concern and he has brought it to a very high degree of efficiency. Employing about eighty people, the enterprise occupies two buildings, aggregating about 17,000 square feet of floor space. This is the largest concern of its kind east of the big brass centers of the State of Connecticut, and the business is steadily growing and developing under Mr. Rayment's management.

Mr. Rayment has for years also been identified with other business interests of Taunton, and is a director of the Mechanics' Coöperative Bank, also a director of the Evans-Case Company of Attleboro, Massachusetts. Broadly interested in all that pertains to community and national advance, Mr. Rayment gives aid and encouragement to every worthy effort, but chooses to leave leadership in public affairs to others. His fraternal affiliations are with Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Rayment married, in 1890, Lorraine Campbell Robertson, of Scotland, a daughter of James and Bessie Robertson. Mr. and Mrs. Rayment are the parents of four children: Beatrice Sophia, Lorraine Margaret, Viola Anne, and William Francis.

**ISAAC E. WILLETTTS**—In an exacting and largely responsible position in the public service of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Isaac E. Willetts is bearing a part in the general welfare, and amid all the discouragements and restrictions inevitable in

the realm of corrective endeavor, is giving of his best to the promotion of the public safety and well-being as sheriff of Bristol county. Mr. Willetts is a son of Isaac Willetts, who was born in Sheffield, England, and was a chain worker by occupation. He came to the United States as a young man, and settling in Boston, Massachusetts, was one of the highly respected citizens of that place until his death, which occurred in 1875 in Philadelphia, Pa. The mother, Emma (Brierly) Willetts, who was born in Hume, England, died in Fall River, in December, 1913.

Isaac E. Willetts was born at South Boston, Massachusetts, November 8, 1869. His education was received in the public schools of Fall River, and he began life in the employ of the Mechanics Mills, of Fall River, Massachusetts, where he was first a sweeper, then back-boy, and remained for about a year and a half. He then became office boy for J. A. Remington, a leading insurance broker of that time, and continued in this general field in various positions until the year 1893. He thereafter spent about five years in the textile industry, then was again active in the insurance business until 1895, when he entered the public service. Edward H. Evans, in his first term of office as sheriff, appointed Mr. Willetts as one of his deputies, and his work in this connection was eminently worthy and calculated to benefit the people. He was made a member of the Common Council, and served for two terms, then, in 1905, he was elected to the Legislature of the State of Massachusetts, and served from that time until 1912, inclusive. This unusual record of activity as a legislator was marked by many instances of definite usefulness, not only for his own constituency but for the entire Commonwealth. In 1912 Mr. Willetts was appointed keeper of the Taunton jail, and served until 1919, giving to the responsibilities and problems of this office his best abilities and his devoted attention. Upon the death of Sheriff Evans, which occurred in 1919, Mr. Willetts was appointed by Governor Calvin Coolidge to fill out his unexpired term. His capable and efficient handling of the duties of this exacting office resulted in his election to the office of sheriff in 1920, for a term of six years. He is considered a man of ability and discretion, fearless and relentless in the performance of duty and gifted with the qualities which count for the most in his position. As a young man Sheriff Willetts was a member of Company M, 1st Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, under Captain Braley, and later enlisted in the Naval Brigade, in which he served for two years as a member of Company F. Fraternally he is very prominent, being a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Commandery, Knights Templar; Fall River Lodge of Protection, Princes of Jerusalem, St. Andrew's Chapter, Rose Croix, and Boston Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is further a member of Mount Vernon Lodge, Knights of Pythias;



Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and Fall River Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His religious faith is that of a Unitarian.

Mr. Willett married, in 1891, Lila L. Reed, of Fall River, daughter of George K. and Susan W. (Lapham) Reed, and they reside at No. 21 Hodges avenue.

**HARRISON W. GEORGE**—In the field of real estate and insurance, Harrison W. George holds a leading position in Bristol county, Massachusetts, with his interests centering at Taunton. A native of this city, Mr. George has had experience in various lines of endeavor, and for the past seventeen years has been engaged in his present field. His work in his present connection has contributed largely to the growth and progress of the city and its environs, and he is counted among the really noteworthy men of Taunton.

Harrison W. George was born in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, September 14, 1882, and is a son of Walter W. and Eliza Jane (Lincoln) George, his mother, who died in 1883, a member of an old family of Bristol county. Receiving a practical education in the public schools of his birthplace, Mr. George began life as a clerk in the clothing department of the Colby Company's great department store in Taunton. He was thus engaged for about ten years, after which he entered the theatrical business as manager of the Taunton Theatre (now known as the Park Theatre). After four years in this activity, during which Mr. George became one of the best known men of this city in local affairs, he gained a comprehensive familiarity with local conditions along various lines of endeavor. In 1906 he chose a new line of activity and opened his offices as Nos. 9-11 Winthrop street, as a real estate and insurance broker. He has done much to promote construction work of many kinds in Taunton and vicinity, doing more or less at various times as an operator, as well as a broker. He handles a general line of insurance, representing many of the leading companies of the day. As one of the foremost men in his chosen field, Mr. George has for many years been identified with the world of finance of Taunton, and is treasurer and general manager of the Taunton Morris Plan Bank. It is generally considered that his efforts for the success of this institution have been largely responsible for the present wide scope of its work. He is treasurer of the Sinking Fund of Taunton, Massachusetts, and was treasurer of the Taunton Construction Trust Company.

In the public life of the city Mr. George has been active, having served as chairman of the License Commission under Mayor Fish, and for four years as registrar of voters. His fraternal affiliations are with Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, the Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order

of Odd Fellows. His clubs are the Rotary and the Winthrop. He attends the Congregational church.

Mr. George married, in 1922, Helen C. Sater, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Jennie Sater.

**DOCTOR WILLIAM P. PRITCHARD**—The city of Fall River, Massachusetts, is widely famed for the success and importance of its splendid group of professional men, and in this group Dr. William P. Pritchard is a thoroughly representative figure. With exhaustive special training in his chosen field of endeavor, he has now for some years been active as a specialist, and in the realm of ophthalmology he is counted among the largely successful men of the day. Dr. Pritchard is a son of William and Lydia (Wood) Pritchard, who came to the United States from England in the year 1890, locating in Fall River, Massachusetts. The father, who was engaged in the insurance business in Fall River, died December 29, 1919, while the mother still (1923) survives him.

William P. Pritchard was born at Hanley, England, October 17, 1872. His early education was received in the national schools of his native land, and he completed his high school course at Framingham, Massachusetts. Later entering Harvard University Medical School, he was graduated in the class of 1900 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Meanwhile, during the year 1899, he served as house officer in St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford, Massachusetts. Shortly following his graduation Dr. Pritchard established his offices in Fall River, and for about nine years was very successful along general lines of practice. His deep interest in the eye gave him particular success in such cases as came under his hand, and he gave much time to research in this specialty. In the year 1910 he took up a special course on the treatment of the eye at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston, and in the spring of that year he went to Europe, where he covered a very comprehensive course at the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital, formerly known as the Moorfields Hospital of London, England. Returning to the United States in the late summer of the same year, Dr. Pritchard resumed his practice as a specialist in the treatment of the eye and soon became widely noted in this field. He keeps in close touch with all advance in his special field, and as an authority on the eye has added definitely to the accumulated knowledge of the day in this connection. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, and the Fall River Medical Society; is a member of the staff of the Municipal Hospital, and of St. Anne's Hospital; and is ophthalmologist of the city Board of Health. During the World War Dr. Pritchard served as a member of the Medical Advisory Board for District No. 50A. He is a member of the council of the Boy Scouts, and in every forward movement bears a constructive although usually unofficial part. For a number of years he has been active on the Fall







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River School Committee. Fraternally Dr. Pritchard is affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Union Methodist Episcopal Church, and has served on the board of trustees of the church since its foundation.

Dr. Pritchard married, in 1900, Lena Elizabeth Colman, who was born in Maine, and they are the parents of five children, of whom four are still living, as follows: Maybelle, a graduate of Radcliffe College at Cambridge, Massachusetts, degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1922; Lydia Juanita, a student at Middlebury, Vermont, now in her freshman year; Winston Colman, a student at the B. M. C. Durfee High School of Fall River; and Dale Bryant, still in grammar school.

**JOHN CROWTHER**—In the exacting and broadly useful office of city clerk of Fall River, John Crowther is doing much to forward the progress of the civic body and the welfare of the people. A native of England, Mr. Crowther came to this country as a young lad with his parents, was reared in American traditions, and has filled the place of a progressive and forward-looking citizen, both in the business world and in the public service. His genial spirit and cordial manner have won him countless friends in Fall River, and he is considered one of the most popular men in this city.

Crossley Crowther, Mr. Crowther's father, was born in England, and as a young lad was employed in that country in the mills. As he grew older he became interested in farming, and eventually began independent operations along agricultural lines in a small way. Practicing industry and thrift, he prospered, and bought first a small farm, then a larger one, and eventually became a very extensive breeder in thoroughbred cattle, securing his original stock from Ireland. He won large success in this field of endeavor, and went forward as a leading stock-man until the foot and mouth disease gained a start in his herds and made such ravages in his stock that he decided to give up the business and come to the United States (1873). His fortune decimated, if not almost swept away, he fell back on his mill experience in coming to this country, and settled in Fall River, where he secured an excellent position and continued his activities until his retirement in 1899. The mother, Mary (Fielden) Crowther, was also born in England, and both are deceased.

John Crowther was born in Lancashire, England, June 22, 1858. He enjoyed but little schooling, and that wholly in his native land, and upon his coming to the United States with the family when fifteen years of age he at once secured a position in the mills of Fall River. He was not, however, content to allow circumstances to govern his life, and for a number of years he attended night school and devoted his leisure time to the culture acquired by broad and discriminating read-

ing. Possessing a gift for languages, he also made an exhaustive study of English, French, German and Spanish, and he speaks all fluently. Until 1885 Mr. Crowther worked as a weaver in the mills, then he definitely put that chapter of his life behind him and entered newspaper work. Securing a position as reporter on the Fall River "Globe," then just established, he was a member of the staff of that paper for five years, and had the honor of writing the first local item published in this paper. During his activity in this connection he was offered the management of the Fall River "Herald," which he declined, but in 1890 he left the "Globe" to identify himself with the Fall River "News" as a reporter, where he served for some months during the absence of the managing editor in that capacity, but remained with the "News" on the reportorial staff until the year 1902. For three years subsequent to that date Mr. Crowther acted as private secretary to the mayor of Fall River, after which he returned to the staff of the "News," and continued on that paper until 1908. It was during the early years of the present century that Mr. Crowther's activity in public affairs brought him into recognition as one of the needed men in local political advance. In 1902 he was elected secretary of the Republican City Committee, and in 1908 was made a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Chicago, which nominated William Howard Taft for the presidency. In the following year Mr. Crowther was elected city clerk of Fall River, which occasioned his resignation from his newspaper position, as the duties of this office fully commanded his time. During the intervening period of fifteen years Mr. Crowther has served continuously in this office, ably fulfilling the responsibilities and commanding the esteem and confidence not only of his associates in public, but all the people generally. The good will and esteem of the public have been repeatedly expressed in his seven reelections, which have successfully followed his first term of service. Intimately familiar with the city of Fall River in all its phases, both from the viewpoint of the citizen and the newspaper man, whose business it is to keep in touch with all advance, Mr. Crowther's eminent fitness for the responsibility of his present position is a matter of frequent comment, and the people feel that the interests of the municipality are well cared for in his hands. In social affairs he is a member of Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. As a hobby he collects rare books, antiques and paintings.

Mr. Crowther married (first) in 1883, Nora Hurley of Fall River, who died in 1911, leaving two of their three children: Herbert Spencer, a buyer with the Woolworth Company at their New York offices, being a resident of Montclair, New Jersey, and Ruth Frances, the wife of Lieutenant Albert Burleigh, of the United States Navy. In 1914 Mr. Crowther married (second) Mrs. Lizzie B. Carter, of Fall River, whose son by her former marriage, Kenneth S. Carter, is one of the promising young men of Fall River today.

**REV. JOHN F. FERRAZ**—The work of the church in any community is a force of leadership and inspiration to lofty ideals and high endeavors, and the spiritual father and guide who is placed in charge

of the people of the church finds in his work one of the most worthy influences in community advance. The Roman Catholic Church has been established for many generations in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and as pastor of St. Michael's Church of Fall River, Father Ferraz holds a leading position in ecclesiastical circles in this city. He is a son of John F. and Jennie A. (Correa) Ferraz, both natives of the Azores group. The father was born and died on St. Michael's Island, his death occurring May 20, 1904, and seven years later the mother and her two sisters came to the United States, where they have since resided with Father Ferraz.

Father Ferraz was born on St. Michael's Island, in the Azores group, January 8, 1880. His education was begun in the local schools of St. Michael, and after the completion of his high school course he took up philosophy and theology at the Angra Seminary, on Terceira Island of the Azores group, from which he was ordained to the priesthood on December 24, 1902, by the Most Rev. Joseph Emanuel Correa, Bishop of Angra. Father Ferraz was first appointed director of a large elementary and preparatory college at Ponta Delgada, at St. Michael's, and in this capacity he was active until 1910. His services were so highly considered by the administration of the school, as well as by the people under his charge, that this institution was given his name, and now stands as a monument to his devoted labors, under the name of Ferraz's College. Coming to the United States in 1910, Father Ferraz was appointed assistant priest at the Espirito Santo Roman Catholic Church in Fall River, thus becoming assistant to the Rev. Father John B. De Valles. He was appointed by Rt. Rev. Bishop D. F. Feehan, D. D., as director of the parochial schools of this parish, and continued his labors in this connection until September, 1915. He was then appointed pastor of the new parish of St. Elizabeth, at No. 602 Tucker street, Fall River, entering upon his duties in this connection as a missionary and founder. He bought the land upon which the present buildings have been erected and began at once raising funds for the church edifice. Following the completion of the edifice he remained in charge of the parish until January 30, 1917, when he was appointed pastor of St. Michael's Church of Fall River. This parish at the time of his coming was in almost a neglected state, and its home was an old basement church entirely inadequate to the needs of the parish and wholly unsuitable when the size and importance of the church organization was considered. Five years after his coming Father Ferraz built the present beautiful edifice of pressed brick structure of half Gothic style, imposing in appearance, and of the most modern construction. This is one of the handsomest churches in Fall River, and the parish takes entirely justifiable pride in its dignity and beauty. The interior is richly decorated and the grounds are attractively arranged. St. Michael's parish has about four thousand members, most of these people being among the prosperous and dignified citizens of Fall River, owning their own homes and giving to the work of the church the loyal and unselfish support of the progressive and spiritually minded members. Father Ferraz moves among his people the honored leader and spiritual guide, and in all his relations with the civic body and its organized endeavors he gives to the world the constructive efforts

of a brilliant mentality and a genius for administration. He is one of the highly esteemed and well known members of the Roman Catholic clergy of Bristol county.

**REUBEN W. CHASE**—A prominent figure in the world of finance of Taunton, Massachusetts, and broadly interested in every phase of community advance, Reuben W. Chase is a representative man of the day in Bristol county, and his activities as treasurer of the Taunton Savings Bank are contributing in a marked degree to the welfare of the community and the economic progress of the people.

The name of Chase is a very old one in this part of Massachusetts, dating back to "Mayflower" days, and the family has given to the world in every generation men of constructive spirit and broad usefulness. Andrew J. Chase, father of the subject of this sketch, was born at Harwich, Barnstable county, Massachusetts, and died April 23, 1900. He followed the sea during his early years as a mariner, and was for a considerable period in command of his own ship. He later became a merchant of Taunton, conducting a grocery store there until his death. He married Eunisa C. Baker, of Harwich, who died in 1885, when the subject of this sketch was a small child.

Reuben W. Chase was born at Harwich, Barnstable county, Massachusetts, April 24, 1882. His education was begun in the public schools of Taunton, and he also attended high school for a time, then decided to make special preparations for a commercial career, and going to Providence, Rhode Island, entered the Bryant & Stratton Business College of that city. On December 1, 1898, Mr. Chase entered the employ of the Taunton Savings Bank in the capacity of clerk, and has now been identified with this institution for almost a quarter of a century. Rising through the different grades of responsibility, he was eventually elected treasurer of the bank in January, 1916. His entire career having been thus devoted to the welfare and growth of this institution, Mr. Chase is an important figure in the organization and holds a position of large prominence in financial affairs in Taunton. When still active as a clerk in this organization, Mr. Chase served also as treasurer of the Weir Co-operative Bank of Taunton for seven years, resigning that position when he was elected to his present office of treasurer of the Taunton Savings Bank. He is still a director of the Weir Co-operative Bank. Supporting the Republican party in political affairs of both local and national significance, Mr. Chase has served as a member of the school committee of Taunton for one term, but has otherwise never accepted public responsibility. He is deeply interested, however, in all community endeavors, and at one time served as the treasurer of the Morton Hospital, of which he is still a trustee. Fraternally he is identified with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons and St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He is a member of the Winthrop Club of Taunton, the Young Men's Christian Association, and is a life-member of the Old Colony Historical Society. He attends the Winslow Congregational Church.

Mr. Chase married, on October 5, 1905, Ethel I. Savage, of Wakefield, Massachusetts, daughter of William F. and Augusta A. (Brown) Savage, both residents of Taunton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Chase



are the parents of two children: Rolfe B., born August 31, 1908; and Gardner W., born March 13, 1911.

**THOMAS J. ASHTON**—In one of the broadly significant lines of professional activity, Thomas J. Ashton of Fall River, Massachusetts, is a leading figure in Bristol county, and he is also widely prominent in fraternal circles and a public-spirited citizen of large usefulness. A native of Fall River, reared in its traditions and educated in its institutions, Mr. Ashton is a son of James and Sarah (Howarth) Ashton, both natives of England. They were married in their native land and their two elder children were born there, then they came to the United States, in 1865, locating in Fall River. The father became one of the founders of Cook, Grew & Ashton, tinsmiths and millwright workers. James Ashton died in 1873, at the comparatively early age of forty-three years, while the mother survived him for twenty-five years, passing away at the age of sixty-three years.

Thomas J. Ashton was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, March 4, 1865. His education was begun in the Fall River public schools, and he was graduated from the B. C. M. Durfee High School in the class of 1882. As a young man Mr. Ashton learned the tinsmith trade, and was employed in this field of activity for about nine years. He then engaged in the grocery business, and conducted a prosperous interest in this field for about six years, when he sold the grocery store and entered the undertaking business, preparing for this profession under the preceptorship of James E. Watson. He worked in Mr. Watson's employ until 1907, then engaged in business for himself, opening his headquarters at his present location at No. 961 Pleasant street, Fall River. He has now been successfully active along this line of endeavor for about sixteen years, and has won high distinction as an undertaker and funeral director, his ability and broad appreciation of the ethics of the profession carrying him to a largely noteworthy position in his chosen field of activity.

In the public service in Fall River Mr. Ashton has long held a leading position, and his activities have borne direct relation to the constant growth of the city and its general prosperity. In 1907 he was elected a member of the Fall River City School Committee, and served in that capacity for six years. In 1912 he was appointed by Mayor Kay to the office of overseer of the poor, in which capacity he was active for a full decade. In the mayoralty elections of December, 1922, Mr. Ashton was the Republican nominee for the office of mayor of Fall River, but he was defeated by a small majority by the present incumbent, Mayor Talbot. Mr. Ashton has always given to the public advance the same loyal endeavors and efficient energy, which have made and continued his prosperity in his personal interests, and he is considered one of the most broadly noteworthy citizens of Fall River. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is widely affiliated, being a member of Mt. Hope Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Azab Grotto; Fall River Lodge, No. 219, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; is past noble grand of Puritan Lodge of Odd Fellows, Manchester Unity, and was elected grand master of Massa-

chusetts, in which capacity he served during the two years, 1908-1909. He is a member and past grand of the Fall River Council of Odd Fellows, and is a member of the Order of the Sons of St. George. His religious affiliation is with the Quarry Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Ashton married, in 1895, Alice Wilson, of Fall River, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of two children: Harvey, now associated with his father as a member of the firm of Thomas J. Ashton & Son; and Dorris, a graduate of the Framingham Normal School, class of 1921, and a teacher in the Fall River Continuation School.

**ROBERT A. MCGRATH**—In engineering circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Robert A. McGrath is prominently identified with the progress of the day as city engineer of Fall River. Born in this city and a member of an honored family of this section, Mr. McGrath was reared in the traditions of his birthplace, and has become one of the well known public servants of the day. He is a son of Thomas F. and Mary A. (Rowe) McGrath. The father is a native of Fall River, Massachusetts, and was one of the best known men of this city, during his lifetime having served as member of the Fall River police force for a period of forty-five years. He was a man of sturdy, upright principles, genial temperament, and possessed the spirit of loyal citizenship, which made his public service a record of high honor and broad usefulness. He died in 1918, at the age of seventy-three years. The mother, who was born at Cranston, Rhode Island, still (1923) survives him. Robert A. McGrath was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, April 7, 1886. His education was begun in the public schools of this city, and he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1904. Upon the completion of his studies Mr. McGrath entered the civil engineering profession in the employ of E. M. Corbett, one of the prominent engineers of that day in Fall River. In this connection the young man supplemented his formal education with a thoroughly comprehensive course in the technical phases of engineering. Beginning at the bottom, he learned the profession in its every branch and won his way to prominence in it. After seven years in the employ of Mr. Corbett he resigned to accept a position in the city engineer's office of Fall River, in 1912. As a member of this staff for eight years Mr. McGrath became well known in public life, and in 1920 accepted the office of superintendent of Catholic Cemeteries of Fall River, filling this important post for three years. On January 1, 1923, he was appointed to the office of city engineer, and took over the affairs of this largely responsible position on the fifth of the following March. He has taken up the duties of this position with energy and ability, and is going forward along progressive lines, commanding the respect and esteem of his associates, and demonstrating the ability which comes of long and practical experience. Mr. McGrath is identified fraternally with the Knights of Columbus, and is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. McGrath married, July 19, 1911, Ellen E. O'Donnell, of Fall River, Massachusetts, and they are parents of three children: Helen M.; Robert A., Jr.; and Jean.

**RALPH E. LOPER**—Specializing in a branch of endeavor allied with the textile industries, Ralph E. Loper is bringing his activities to bear upon this industry from a vital angle, that of cost of production. His extensive experience and his practical deductions therefrom have given him an unusual grasp of affairs and conditions relative to this industry. Mr. Loper is a son of Gilbert E. Loper, of East Setauket, Long Island, later of Port Jefferson, New York, well known as a contractor and builder and a progressive man of his day. The mother, Mary E. (West) Loper, was also born at East Setauket.

Ralph E. Loper was born near Port Jefferson, New York, April 23, 1886. The family removing to the town of Port Jefferson in his childhood, he attended public school in that community and was eventually graduated from Port Jefferson High School. He is also a graduate of Lehigh University, class of 1908, with the degree of electrical engineer. At college Mr. Loper developed a marked ability for analyzing and solving original problems, and he was invited to remain at Lehigh as instructor in physics and electricity, but the problems of business management appealed to him more definitely and he declined this office. Following his graduation, Mr. Loper became identified with the engineering staff of the American Gas and Electric Company of New York City, owners and operators of a considerable number of electrical plants. His work in this connection took him to all parts of the various plants. He was sometimes in charge of construction work, sometimes conducting operating tests, and frequently in the drafting room, but much of his time was spent in overalls and a black shirt, even doing work of a fireman—whatever came to hand. This, as Mr. Loper has since many times remarked, was just the kind of work any young college graduate needs as a practical foundation for professional activity. Following this period he spent a number of years on machine designing and the laying out of factory plants, also the study of manufacturing processes. To better apply his technical knowledge along these lines he at one time served as foreman in a plant manufacturing small electric motors, transformers and so forth. In 1912 Mr. Loper joined the staff of Sufferin & Son, of New York City, industrial engineers and cost accountants. During his association with this concern he filled numerous assignments among important manufacturing plants in different parts of this country and also in European plants. He was at one time active with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, of Akron, Ohio, where he assisted in training the permanent staff of their production department. He next went to France, where he was in charge of a contract with the Société Anonyme Des Automobiles and Cycles Peugeot at Beaulieu, France. There he introduced a plan for dispatching and speeding up their work, also made a study of their manufacturing costs, and in cooperation with their selling organization standardized their product in the branch of bicycles and motorcycles. This plant is located near the intersection of Germany, Switzerland and France, and with test cars always available for week end trips Mr. Loper made use of his opportunities to visit interesting and historical points in that part of Europe. Being the only American in a plant employing 2500 Frenchmen, Mr. Loper was naturally

obliged to become familiar with the French language, and he has said since that before completing this contract he "both thought and dreamed in French." Upon his return to New York his friends remarked upon a noticeable foreign accent in his English. In the year 1914 Mr. Loper came to Fall River to install a cost system in one of the local cotton mills. The central character of this city as regards New England industries, and particularly textile production, led Mr. Loper to settle here for his professional career. Opening his office at No. 10 Purchase street, he established himself as a specialist in textile cost service and industrial engineering. He has since then specialized in textile problems and has been called to many parts of the United States and Canada, thus coming into contact with scores of textile mills in the South and Canada, as well as in New England. He has for some years enjoyed an international reputation as an authority on these topics, and when the Overman bill was passed, forming the War Industries Board, Mr. Loper was chosen as a member of the cotton goods section. From that time until the close of the war his time was principally spent in Washington, D. C., organizing and supervising the office of the cotton goods section. He is at present the head of the firm known as R. E. Loper & Company, industrial engineers of Fall River. Fraternally he is prominent, holding the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, and is also a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a leading member of the Young Men's Christian Association, at the present time (1923) serving as president. His clubs are the Rotary, Quequechan, and Fall River country.

Mr. Loper married, directly following his return to the United States from Europe, Jennie B. Wicks, daughter of Henry S. and Bertha (Brown) Wicks, her father a sea captain from Port Jefferson, New York.

**OSCAR L. SPENCER, M.D.**—Largely successful in his chosen profession of medicine and widely known both as a physician and through his activities during the war period, Dr. Spencer is an outstanding figure in professional circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, today, and his work bears definite significance to the welfare of the people. Dr. Spencer is a son of Philo and Elizabeth (Magoon) Spencer, both natives of the Province of Quebec, Canada. Philo Spencer was a farmer by occupation, and spent his lifetime in agricultural pursuits in the vicinity of Montreal, Canada. Both the doctor's parents are now deceased.

Oscar L. Spencer was born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, September 6, 1866. His early education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace, and later attending Waterloo Academy, near Montreal, he interrupted his studies at the age of twenty years and came to the United States, locating at Leominster, Massachusetts, where for about five years he was variously employed in the industries of that section. He then went to Lynn, Massachusetts, where he entered the shoe industry, and for about eighteen years was employed in this connection. During all this time, however, he cherished an early ambition to enter professional life, and when he had accumulated sufficient funds to take up his studies he entered the medical department of Boston University, from which he was



graduated in the year 1911, receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Returning to the city of Lynn, where he was already well known, Dr. Spencer established his office, and there won an enviable position in the profession among the people with whom he had been active in industrial fields. Upon the entrance of the United States into the World War, Dr. Spencer enlisted in the service of the United States Army as a member of the Medical Corps, and in July, 1917, received his commission as first lieutenant. On October 6 of the same year he was promoted to captain, and was assigned to Fort Harrison, Indiana, where he remained for three months. He was then transferred to the base hospital at Camp Custer, Michigan, where he remained until June, 1918, when he resigned from the service to resume his practice in Lynn. Active in that city until August, 1919, Dr. Spencer then came to Fall River and opened his present office at No. 380 North Main street. He has since developed a very extensive and lucrative practice, and is numbered among the leading physicians of Bristol county. He follows general lines of practice to a considerable extent, but specializes somewhat on gynecology. Dr. Spencer is a member of the Massachusetts Homeopathic Medical Society, Massachusetts Surgical and Gynecological Society, and the Alpha Sigma fraternity. He is also affiliated fraternally with Peter Woodland Lodge, No. 72, Knights of Pythias, of Lynn Winnepurkit Tribe, No. 55, Improved Order of Red Men, and Abou Ben Adhem Temple, Knights of Khorassan, of Boston.

**J. FREDERICK BECKETT**—Upon leaving high school in 1896 Mr. Beckett entered the real estate business, to which he has since added all branches of insurance except life, being well established in both departments of his business, his offices at No. 70 Bedford street. He has been connected with a great deal of suburban development, and was largely instrumental in securing a Kresge store for Fall River. He is a son of Patrick W. and Ellen (Matthews) Beckett, his father born in Liverpool, England, in 1840, died in Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1894. Ellen Matthews Beckett, born at Fall River in 1850, is now (1923) residing in Providence, Rhode Island.

J. Frederick Beckett was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, March 17, 1877, and there was educated in the public schools. He completed three years of his high school course with the class of 1896, then entered business life, beginning at that early age to operate deals in real estate under his own name. He dealt successfully in real estate exclusively until January 1, 1908, when he added insurance to his lines, and has since built up a very strong agency, representing important companies in all forms of insurance excepting life insurance.

Mr. Beckett is president of the New Boston Road Development Company and the Highland Park Development Company, these corporations under his management being active agents in advancing Fall River's suburban area and adding to its residential attractiveness. His offices are at No. 70 Bedford street. In politics Mr. Beckett is an Independent, and in religious faith is a Roman Catholic. For the past twenty years he has been a trustee of Lodge No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he is an active member

of both the Board of Underwriters and Real Estate Board of Fall River. His club is the Quequechan. During the World War period, 1917-18, Mr. Beckett was active in the various "drives" and other movements of that period.

At Fall River, June 15, 1905, Mr. Beckett married Helen L. Murphy, born at Fall River, as were her parents, James and Julia (O'Hearn) Murphy. Mr. and Mrs. Beckett are the parents of two children, both born at Fall River: Anna L., born April 14, 1906, and J. Frederick, Jr., born December 31, 1914.

**JOHN P. SMITH**—In the exacting office of assistant postmaster of Taunton, Massachusetts, John P. Smith has served the people faithfully and efficiently for the past six years, while for twenty-three years he has been an employee of the local post office, and his work has contributed to the public welfare. With experience in the textile industry, which gave him a general familiarity with business conditions, Mr. Smith has given to his efforts in the public service the practical ability and energy which count for success in any field. He is a son of Michael F. Smith, who was born in Kilmallock, Ireland, from which he came to the United States a young man. He was for many years a prominent grain dealer in Taunton, Massachusetts, continuing in this field of commercial endeavor until his death, which occurred in 1911. The mother, Mary E. (Dennen) Smith, was born at Norton, Massachusetts, and still survives the husband and father.

John P. Smith was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, September 15, 1876. His education was received in the local public and high schools, and his first experience in the business world was in the employ of the Cohannet Mills, of Taunton, in the capacity of office boy. With energy and ability added to his faithful service in this connection, Mr. Smith advanced through various positions to that of head shipper, from which he resigned in 1900 to accept a position as clerk in the Taunton post office. Here, again, his estimable qualities and practical attention to business won him steady promotion, and in 1917 he was made assistant postmaster, which position he still ably fills. Large responsibilities have passed through his hands, and, constantly meeting the public, he has become one of the best known men in the local public service. His general spirit and un-failing courtesy have made for him countless friends among the people of Taunton, and he enjoys the cordial esteem and confidence of all who know him. He has few interests except those of a business nature, but fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters. He belongs to the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Smith married, in 1909, Madeline M. Mahar, of Taunton, who died in 1912, leaving one child, Frances M., born July 20, 1910. Mrs. Smith was the daughter of John H. and Catherine Mahar.

**JAMES HARRISON**—In a special branch of the textile industry in Taunton, Massachusetts, James Harrison is filling a vital need of certain industries, and in this line is achieving gratifying success. For some time he has been a leading executive of the present concern, which is known as the Manhasset Manufacturing

Company, and the product of this concern, of which the Taunton plant is only a branch, is tire fabrics and finished yarns. Mr. Harrison is a son of J. H. Harrison, who was born at Cheshire, England, and died in 1891. He was a brass trimmer by trade, and in the prime of life came to America, his death occurring only a few years after his settling here. The mother, Mary (Wycherley) Harrison, who was also born in England, still survives the husband and father.

James Harrison was born at Cheshire, England, March 11, 1882. His education was begun in the schools of his native land, and the family coming to America in his boyhood and settling in Fall River, Massachusetts, he was an attendant at the public schools of that city for several years. He later attended a textile school in Fall River, Massachusetts, and his first business experience was in the employ of the Conanicut Mills Company, of that city. Active in that connection for five years, Mr. Harrison then went to Globe Village, a suburb of Fall River, where he filled the position of overseer in the cotton yarn mill in the community for fourteen years. In February, 1912, he became identified with the Slater Manufacturing Company of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, as superintendent of their plant, having under his supervision about six hundred employees. He filled this position until February, 1920, when he came to Taunton, Massachusetts, as superintendent of the Manhasset Manufacturing Company's plant in this city. After two years in this office Mr. Harrison was made general manager of all the plants of this concern, located at Taunton, Massachusetts, Warren, Rhode Island, and several plants at Putnam, Connecticut. The Manhasset Manufacturing Company has leaped into prominence with the universal use of the automobile, their principal product being tire fabrics. The enterprise was established in 1912 by Messrs. William Muir, R. H. Ballou and E. V. Livezey, the first factory being located at Putnam, Connecticut. From the first they have produced both tire fabrics and finished yarns for other textile plants, and these products have commanded a very extensive trade. With the rapid growth of the automobile industry, the former has developed into the more important branch, and the continued great popularity of automobiles makes of this a product constantly in greater demand. Thus it has been necessary to greatly increase the capacity of the business, and to this end various branch factories have been built. The Taunton branch was established in 1920, at No. 42 Adams street, and this has been multiplied until now they have four large mill buildings in this group, with an aggregate floor space of 350,000 square feet. Here they employ about five hundred people, to say nothing of the factory buildings still in constant operation in Putnam, Connecticut, and the large plant in Warren, Rhode Island. This concern is considered one of the most important in its field in the United States, making 200,000 yards of tire fabric per week. This concern originally started with 15,000 spindles, and at the present time keeps more than 100,000 spindles in constant operation; it also purchases enormous quantities of yarns. In his position as general manager of production of this entire interest, Mr. Harrison holds a very prominent place in the industrial circles in the East, and is widely known in the trade. He has few interests outside of his work, and

although a loyal supporter of the Republican party in politics, he takes no active part in public life. Fraternally he is a member of Mt. Hope Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fall River, Massachusetts; also of Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; and other fraternal organizations. He is a member of the West Side Club of Providence, Rhode Island, and he attends the Episcopal church.

Mr. Harrison married, in 1904, Mary A. Openshaw, who was born in Bolton, England, and they have one daughter: Dorothy, born in July, 1912.

**OMER EMEDEE BOIVIN, M.D.**—Specializing in urology and surgery, and taking rank with the leaders in the medical profession in southeastern Massachusetts, Dr. Boivin is a noteworthy figure in professional circles in Fall River, and his success is widely acknowledged. With the highest training and unusual breadth of experience, he has a splendid equipment for his profession, and being still a young man, undoubtedly the world will hear from him in the years to come in no uncertain way. Dr. Boivin is a son of Stanislaus Boivin, who was born at St. Alexandre, Quebec, Canada, in 1865, and came to Fall River at the age of nine years. He is now a leading citizen of this place, a prosperous tea and coffee merchant, and an influential bank director. He married Adelina Dupuis, also of St. Alexandre, Quebec, who is also living, and a leader in social circles in Fall River.

Dr. Boivin was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, March 9, 1890. His education was begun in the parochial schools of the city, and he later entered St. Charles' College at Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the class of 1908. He later entered Milton University, of Baltimore, part of Baltimore Medical College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. His institutional experience was unusually comprehensive, for he spent three months at the New York Lying-In Hospital at New York City, also eight months at the Boston City Hospital. Thereafter taking up the practice of his profession in Biddeford, Maine, he was active along general lines in that community for about four years. Coming to Fall River in 1918, Dr. Boivin engaged in general practice, but within the year went to New York Post Graduate Medical College, where he took six months' training in urology. He has since specialized in this realm, also covering post graduate work in various hospitals along this same line, and for the past four years has also done a large amount of surgical work. With offices at No. 187 North Main street, Dr. Boivin is handling a constantly increasing practice, and has attained enviable rank in the profession. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the American Urological Association, the New England Urological Association, the Massachusetts State Medical Society, the Bristol County Medical Society, and the Fall River Medical Society. During the World War Dr. Boivin was active as an examiner on the draft board and did excellent work in that connection. He is affiliated fraternally with the Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of





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Elks, also with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Improved Order of Red Men, and is a leading member of the Calumet Club, an exclusive French club of Fall River.

Dr. Boivin married, at Biddeford, Maine, August 20, 1916, Laurette Menard, who was born in Biddeford, and is a daughter of Alphonse and Rachel (Brodeur) Menard.

**HARRY BASSETT TALLMAN**—In the insurance world of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Harry Bassett Tallman holds a prominent position as the head of the firm of J. R. Tallman & Company, of which he has been a member for more than a quarter of a century. A progressive and enterprising man of more than ordinary business ability, Mr. Tallman has made his activities in this connection broadly useful and constructive, and is counted among the really significant figures in the business life of Taunton today. He is a son of Joseph Rickertson Tallman, who was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, and died in Taunton, February 4, 1921. He was active in the insurance business throughout his lifetime, and was the founder of the interest of which his son is now the owner. Joseph Rickertson Tallman was a man of large ability and great benevolence of spirit, and his removal from this city by death lost to Taunton and Bristol county a man whose life had meant much to the people. The mother, Ruth Leonard (Smith) Tallman, who is also a native of Taunton, is still living.

Harry Bassett Tallman was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, April 15, 1876. Attending first the public schools of the city, he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1895, and his early activities followed along the line of textile industries, in which he was engaged until April 15, 1897. Upon that date Mr. Tallman became associated with his father as a member of the insurance firm of which he is now the head. This concern was established prior to the year 1840 by Sidney A. Williams, the firm name later being changed to Sidney A. Williams & Company. The elder Mr. Tallman entered the organization many years ago, but the firm name remained unchanged until 1912. Since that time the interest has been known as J. R. Tallman & Company, and with main offices located at No. 17 Weir street, the business covers a general line of insurance. Ranking as the oldest insurance firm in Taunton, it also is counted among the most important firms in its field in the present day. Mr. Tallman is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, also the Winthrop Club. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church.

Mr. Tallman married, in 1901, Fannie Augusta Livingstone, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Jane Livingstone. Mr. and Mrs. Tallman are the parents of one child: Hope, born September 7, 1909.

**WILLIAM P. CROWLEY**, who has for the past seventeen years been president of the Taunton Planing Mill Company, was born in England, May 24, 1863, and is a son of John and Mary (Foley) Crowley. The father is a wood-worker, and his father and grandfather before him had followed similar lines of endeavor, thus making four generations active in the same trade. The

mother was born in County Cork, Ireland, and died in 1922. Coming to the United States in 1884, Mr. Crowley followed his trade of wood-working in New York City and in other locations for about four years, after which he came to Taunton, Massachusetts, and entered the employ of A. G. Williams. Remaining in this connection for about one year, Mr. Crowley then affiliated himself with the firm of Moore & Booth, as cabinet-maker and wood-worker, and in this connection he remained for a period of eighteen years, filling every position in the plant under the owners. In 1904 this plant was completely destroyed by fire, and as this staggering blow made entire reorganization necessary, and that could not be accomplished immediately, Mr. Crowley went to Pawtucket, Rhode Island, where he was active with a Mr. Tingley for about one year. Returning to Taunton in the year 1906, Mr. Crowley established his own business on Porter street, and later received as a partner Charles Dixon. The growth of this interest was rapid and permanent, and the partners finding expansion advisable, Mr. Crowley influenced Mr. Dixon to incorporate the business, and this was accomplished in the year 1906. Year by year the interest has grown and developed until now it holds a leading position in the field of its operations. With the incorporation, Allen E. Padelford was also received into the organization, and the personnel of the company has since been as follows: William P. Crowley, president, and Allen E. Padelford, treasurer and general manager. The plant now covers about 6,000 square feet of floor space, and is equipped in the most modern manner. They specialize in builders' finish of every kind, and the quality of their product is unexcelled. Mr. Crowley is a man of few affiliations and quiet tastes. He is a member of the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, and has held all offices in this organization, from recording secretary up to chief ranger. He is affiliated with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Crowley married, on February 4, 1889, Catherine Mulcahey, daughter of John and Mary (Daly) Mulcahey, natives of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Crowley are the parents of five children: John J., who enlisted in the United States Navy Aviation Corps; William P., who did industrial work during the World War; Francis H., served in the United States Army; Mildred M., now the wife of E. G. Maxwell; and Harold G.

**ARTHUR RANDALL KNOX**—In financial circles in Taunton, Massachusetts, Arthur Randall Knox holds a position of large prominence as treasurer of the Mechanics' Coöperative Bank, which position he has filled for the past eleven years. With excellent training and long experience in the business world prior to his present connection, Mr. Knox is handling the duties now devolving upon him in a constructive and able manner and is thereby taking a definite part in the public progress. He is a son of Benjamin F. Knox, who was born at Chichester, New Hampshire, and was a britannia worker by occupation. He died in 1900. The mother, Mary E. (Goff) Knox, who was born at Norton, Massachusetts, is still living.

Arthur Randall Knox was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, September 6, 1876. His education was begun in the local public schools and was completed with

his graduation from the Taunton High School in the class of 1894. His first business experience was in the employ of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, where he was engaged for seven years, and he later became identified with the Reed & Barton Silver Works, where he remained for a period of twelve years. It was upon his resignation from this position that Mr. Knox accepted the treasurership of the Mechanics' Co-operative Bank, and he has fulfilled the duties of this exacting position ably and faithfully. A director of this institution, also, he is well known in financial circles in Bristol county, and his influence is always on the side of progress. In political affairs Mr. Knox supports the Republican party, but he takes no interest in public life beyond that of the forward-looking citizen. His fraternal affiliations are with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is master now (1923); St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters. He is a member of the Union Congregational Church.

Mr. Knox married, in 1899, Marjorie Tidd, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Joseph S. and Helen H. (Howard) Tidd. Mr. and Mrs. Knox are the parents of seven children: Dorothy H., born in 1901, a graduate of Radcliffe College; Marjorie T., born in 1903, a student at Simmons College; Barbara H., born in 1905, a graduate of Taunton High School; Gertrude E., born in 1906, a graduate of Taunton High School; Arthur R., Jr., born in 1912; Howard T., born in 1916; and Jeanette E., born in 1918.

**WILLIAM H. CREAMER, M.D.**—With unusually comprehensive preparation for his chosen profession of surgery, and experience which has given him broad familiarity with every phase of advance in this field, Dr. Creamer has become one of the noted surgeons of Bristol county, and his success in surgery has placed him among the leaders in the healing art in this part of the State of Massachusetts. Dr. Creamer is a son of John F. Creamer, who was born in Providence, Rhode Island, and throughout his lifetime was engaged in various business enterprises. He became a very extensive owner of real estate in Fall River and an influential figure in the business life of this city. His death, which occurred in 1918, at the age of fifty-eight years, removed from the city a man of progressive spirit and beneficent activities. The mother, Mary Elizabeth (Turley) Creamer, was born in Manchester, England, coming to the United States with her parents when only a child, and she still survives the husband and father, residing in the old Creamer residence.

William H. Creamer was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, June 9, 1883. His early education was received in the public schools of this city, and he later entered Holy Cross Preparatory School at Worcester, Massachusetts, after which followed the liberal arts course at Holy Cross College, from which he was graduated in 1907 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. His choice of a profession early determined, he then entered Harvard University Medical School, and was graduated from that institution in the class of 1911 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Serving an internship of sixteen months at Carney Hospital at Boston, Massachusetts, Dr. Creamer remained for a second period of the same length as resident surgeon of that institu-

tion, after which, in 1914, he returned to Fall River and began the private practice of medicine. From the first Dr. Creamer has given his entire attention to surgical work, and he has gained a very high position among his colleagues in this profession. For two years, 1921-1922, his work was particularly noteworthy, for he performed in each year more than 400 major operations, and during the first half of 1923 the number far exceeded this ratio. Dr. Creamer is a member of the surgical staff of St. Anne's Hospital of Fall River, and also of the City Hospital. Both in his private practice and in institutional work Dr. Creamer displays the sure touch of the surgeon naturally gifted in his chosen calling, as well as the precision and skill of the highly trained specialist. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts State and Fall River Medical societies, and is identified with the Knights of Columbus. He is affiliated with many clubs, including the Rotary Club of Fall River; Quechean and Fall River country clubs; Metacommet Country Club of Providence, Rhode Island; Fall River Yacht Club; Harvard Club of Boston; Harvard Club of Fall River; and Holy Cross Club of Bristol county. His religious affiliation is with the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

Dr. Creamer married, January 2, 1918, Elizabeth G. Horne, of Boston, Massachusetts. Dr. and Mrs. Creamer are the parents of two children: Mary Elizabeth; and Ann Margaret.

**JOHN E. WELCH, A.B., LL.B.**—In the ranks of legal profession in Bristol county, Massachusetts, John E. Welch is counted as a noteworthy figure, having practiced for eight years with the sole interruption of the recent World War. He is one of the young men of the day who have attained definite success and whose activities auger large things for the future. Mr. Welch is a son of John and Hannah (Cagney) Welch, both natives of Bridgewater. His father died April 14, 1922, but the mother still survives him and is a resident of Taunton, where the family home has been located for many years.

John E. Welch was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, February 22, 1891. Following his public school education, he attended the Taunton High School, his graduation occurring with the class of 1908. He covered his course in the liberal arts at Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he was graduated in the class of 1912, with his Bachelor's degree in the arts. Later entering Harvard University School of Law for his professional preparation, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1915, with the Bachelor's degree in law. Admitted to the bar of his native State shortly thereafter, Mr. Welch began the practice of his chosen profession in Taunton, opening offices in the Court House block at No. 18 Broadway, and has continued at the same location until the present time.

Professionally Mr. Welch has won a high position, carrying forward a general practice, which has steadily increased until he now commands a very extensive clientele. Interested in all branches



of public advance, Mr. Welch has served as a member of the Electric Light Commission, but has otherwise thus far declined responsibilities of a civic nature. His military record begins with his enlistment on September 16, 1917, in Company F, 302nd Infantry. He was sent to Camp Devens, Massachusetts, then was later transferred to Camp Hancock at Augusta, George, where he was active as a member of the Machine Gun Training Corps, but the armistice was signed before his turn came to sail overseas, and he received his honorable discharge from the service on December 6, 1918, with the rank of lieutenant. Since his return to civilian life, Mr. Welch has made marked progress in his profession and now stands among the leaders of the younger group. Fraternally he is a member of Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Knights of Columbus. He is further a member of the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

**WILFRID TRUDEAU, M. D.**—Prominent in the practice of medicine and surgery in Fall River, Massachusetts, and noted as a scholar and traveler, Dr. Wilfrid Trudeau has been active in the practice of his chosen profession for a period of thirty-eight years, during the entire time in the city of Fall River. Dr. Trudeau is a native of the Province of Quebec, Canada, and a son of David and Mary Louise (Fontaine) Trudeau, also natives of that province, both of French families, coming direct from France to Canada the previous generation. David Trudeau was active in farming throughout his lifetime in Montreal, and was a man of broad interests and the highest integrity.

Wilfrid Trudeau was born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, July 30, 1860. Reared on the farm near Montreal, he was sent to the Jesuit College in that city at the age of ten years, and remained there throughout his classical course, receiving his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1878 from that institution. Two years later he entered the medical department of the Victoria University Medical School, from which he received his degree of Doctor of Medicine in the class of 1884. He immediately came to the United States and, locating in Fall River, has since been in practice here. Early gaining a foothold in his chosen profession, he went forward along progressive lines, keeping in touch with all advance in medical science and developing a genius for medicine which has given him an extensive reputation. The interests of his leisure are literature and travel. He spends three or four months of each year in travel either in the United States or in Europe, and at one time or another has visited practically every nook and cranny of the continent, having seen the leading points of interest in America. He has few other interests outside of his profession, but is a member of the Fall River Medical Society and the Quequechan Club.

Dr. Trudeau married, in 1892, Mary Agnes Cyr, of Van Buren, Maine, and they are now the parents of one child, Bertha E., now the wife of Hon.

Thomas C. Crowther, prominent lawyer and present representative from Fall River to the Massachusetts Legislature.

**HERBERT F. BLISS**, president of the Morton Brothers Company, operating Taunton's largest steam laundry, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, January 8, 1891, son of Frank M. and Mary E. (Thornton) Bliss. He was educated in the public schools of Taunton, and upon finishing high school became an employee of the Morton Brothers Company, a steam laundry business established in 1882. The laundry employs forty hands in its various departments, and covers territory as far distant as Attleboro and Mansfield. In 1919 Mr. Bliss was elected president of the company, the business having been incorporated in that year. The present officers of the Morton Brothers Company are W. J. Davidson, treasurer; Herbert F. Bliss, president; Oscar Blackwell, clerk.

Mr. Bliss married, in Taunton, September 19, 1916, Beatrice B. McClellan, daughter of Frederick and Mary McClellan. Mr. and Mrs. Bliss are the parents of two sons, Herbert F., born May 31, 1918, and William T., born February 1, 1921.

**JOHN D. FAHEY**—As one of the foremost undertakers and embalmers of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Mr. Fahey holds a leading position in the city of Taunton, and his establishment is unquestionably the handsomest that can well be arranged, even in these days of scientific achievement and lofty ethical standards in this profession. Mr. Fahey began life in the industries, but rose by his own efforts to the ranks of professional activity and now stands among the oldest, as well as the most important, undertakers in Bristol county. He is a son of John Fahey, who was born in County Limerick, Ireland, who came to the United States as a young man and was engaged during his active lifetime in the iron industry, as a puddler in the foundry. He died in July, 1881, honored and esteemed by all who knew him. The mother, Catharine (Scanlan) Fahey, was born in County Cork, Ireland, and died in the year 1920.

John D. Fahey was born at East Taunton, Massachusetts, December 12, 1869. His education was acquired in the local public schools, and his earliest experience in the world of men and affairs was in the rolling mills of East Taunton. Thereafter, he was identified with the shovel works until that business was removed from this vicinity, after which he learned the trade of blacksmith with Mr. Brennan. Mr. Fahey next entered the employ of Brownell & Burt, then prominent carriage makers and more recently engaged in automobile activities, and remained with them for about three years, as a blacksmith. It was from this position that he resigned to take up his present profession, and first learning the details of undertaking and embalming, he formed an association with John Reed, of Charlestown, Massachusetts, where he gained a thoroughly practical experience in his chosen field.

of endeavor. He then became identified with Thomas O. Day in the undertaking business, and this endured until 1897, when Mr. Fahey went into business for himself. At that time he purchased the undertaking business of William McKenna, of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, and removed the headquarters of the business to Taunton, locating at No. 13 Cohannet street. In 1906 he removed to his present location at No. 41 Cohannet street and there continued under his own name until 1917, when he incorporated under the title of the John Fahey Company, Inc. From the first Mr. Fahey has been awake to every phase of progress in his chosen profession and with the passing of the years he has not only developed a very extensive patronage, but has improved his establishment in every possible way. He has a complete motor equipment, including three handsome motor hearses, and he has installed every approved device for the furtherance and perfection of the work done. He occupies the entire building at No. 41 Cohannet street, having extensive funeral parlors and elaborate showrooms, also a room equipped for autopsies. He operates one of the most modern ambulances procurable, which is used only for the transportation of sick and accident cases and is entirely apart from the undertaking branch of his business, never having been used in connection with it. Mr. Fahey's personality, and his constant effort to improve his service and increase his usefulness, have given him very high standing in the community, and he commands the most cordial esteem, both as a professional man and as a citizen.

A Democrat by political affiliation, Mr. Fahey has served as a member of the Taunton Board of Health since the year 1906, but has never otherwise accepted public responsibility. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus; the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters; Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Fraternal Order of Eagles; the Ancient Order of Hibernians; and the Improved Order of Red Men. He is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Fahey married, in June, 1899, Mary E. Dunn, of Boston, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Mary (Rowe) Dunn, both natives of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Fahey are the parents of one child: Kathleen M., who was born April 30, 1908, and is now a student at the Taunton High School.

**REV. MANUEL A. SILVA**—In ecclesiastical circles in Fall River, Massachusetts, Rev. Father Manuel A. Silva is a figure of more than usual prominence, and in his activities as pastor of the Santo Christo Roman Catholic Church of this city he is doing a great work. Father Silva has served in various charges in different parts of the United States and his devoted labors in Christian advance have carried him to wide prominence in the church. He is a son of Manuel G. and Mary Magdalena (Rosa) Silva, both natives of Peco Island, of the Azores group, where they lived and died.

Father Silva was born on Peco Island, the Azores,

October 9, 1875. His education was begun in the schools of that country and after completing the high school course he entered the college at Horta, in the Azores Islands, later attending Angra Seminary, also in this group of islands, where he studied theology and from which institution he was ordained to the priesthood, March 10, 1900, by the Rt. Rev. D. Francisco R. V. e Brito. Father Silva's first appointment was as assistant priest of Flores Island, and he served one year at that church, after which he came to the United States, having received the appointment of curate of the Santo Christo Church, of which he is now pastor. He served as assistant priest of that parish until June, 1905, when he was appointed pastor to establish the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes in Taunton, Massachusetts. There he built the church and parish house and presided over that parish and territory, which included the districts of South Dighton, South Swansea and Seekonk. His achievements at this church attracted wide attention, for in such a scattered parish the coordination of forces and the unifying of the people required diplomacy and tact, as well as administrative ability of a high order. Father Silva served at this parish until 1910, when he was appointed to the Church of St. John. The Baptist at New Bedford, Massachusetts. This parish was in a more or less unsettled condition, with a church edifice in the course of erection, and Father Silva took up the duties of this pastorate with characteristic energy and ability. He completed the church and built a rectory in keeping with the dignity of the church and the importance of the parish as it was developing, and remained there until 1913. He was then returned to Fall River, as pastor of the Church of Santo Christo, where he had first served as curate, or assistant priest, upon first coming to the United States. Here he has done much for the growth and progress of the parish. He built the present rectory in 1915 and the old church edifice is now (1923) being replaced by a beautiful and dignified structure, which more fully represents the importance of this parish and expresses the devotion and loyalty of its people. Father Silva has made extensive plans for beautifying the grounds about the church and the rectory, and when the new edifice is completed this will be one of the most attractive and beautiful church properties in the city of Fall River. Father Silva has taken a constructive place in many branches of benevolent and civic advance, doing the work of a progressive citizen in an unostentatious and thoroughly devoted way. He has commanded the esteem and admiration of all who know him, whether of his own faith or of other creeds or denominations. His leadership of the people placed under his charge is indeed that of a father who feels the spiritual and material responsibility toward his people, and the future of this parish is very bright.

**MOSES ENTIN**—The name of Entin has been widely distinguished in the profession of medicine in a former generation and is now counted among



*M. A. Silva*





those names worthy of note in the profession of the law in Fall River, Massachusetts. Moses Entin, who has been active in legal advance for nine years, has won an enviable position in his chosen field of endeavor, and is numbered among the really important young men of Bristol county, Massachusetts.

Hillel Entin, M. D., Moses Entin's father, was born in Russia, reared and married there, and about 1885 came to America, locating in Lisbon Falls, Maine. He became one of the most noted surgeons of New England. He was educated in Medicine in Russia, later covering a post-graduate course at Harvard University Medical School, and for some years was a member of the surgical staff of Mount Sinai Hospital of New York City. He removed to Fall River in the year 1892 and eventually retired from the profession of surgery, giving his attention to financial and business interests which represented his life investments. He died in September, 1918. He married Minnie Berlie, also a native of Russia, who died in 1904.

Moses Entin was born in Lisbon Falls, Maine, September 15, 1891. His education was begun in the public schools of Fall River, where his father had meanwhile become active in practice, and he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1911. In September of the same year Mr. Entin entered Boston University Law School, and from this institution he received his degree of Bachelor of Laws, being graduated as a *cum laude* student in the class of 1914. In September of the same year Mr. Entin began the practice of law with offices in the Borden building, and he has since specialized in criminal practice with large success. Mr. Entin's keen appraisal of men and conditions and his forward-looking spirit are definite forces in the constructive work which he is doing and he is achieving much for the immediate administration of justice. Fraternally Mr. Entin is affiliated with Concord Lodge, No. 174, Knights of Pythias, of Fall River, of which he is a past chancellor. He is a member of various other organizations and is affiliated with the Hebrew Orthodox Congregation.

Mr. Entin married, in September, 1916, Elizabeth B. Gross of Boston and they have two sons: Hiliard William and Richard. The family residence is at No. 426 Robeson street.

**JOSEPH BORLAND SAYLES**—Among the notably successful men of the medical profession in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Dr. Joseph Borland Sayles, of Taunton, specialist dermatology, who, with the exception of his term of military service during the World War, has been practicing in Taunton since 1910.

Dr. Sayles was born in Somerset, Massachusetts, February 28, 1865, and is a son of John A. Sayles, who served as a lieutenant in the United States Military Forces during the Civil War and who was postmaster of Somerset, and of Mary (Pierce) Sayles. He received his early education in the public

school of Somerset, and then prepared for college in the Harvard College Preparatory School, in New York City. He then became a student in the medical department of Dartmouth College, from which he was graduated in 1887, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. When his college course was completed he continued his professional studies in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, from which he was graduated with the class of 1888. Immediately after his graduation from the latter institution, he went to the Rhode Island Hospital, where he served an internship for a period of one year. By that time he had become deeply interested in the treatment of diseases of the skin, and instead of engaging in general practice he went to Harvard College, where in the medical school he made a special study of skin diseases. From 1898 to 1910 he was engaged in practice at Dighton, Massachusetts, and in the latter year he removed to Taunton, Massachusetts, continuing his practice there until 1910. In 1917 he enlisted for service in the Medical Corps. He was assigned to Camp Lee, Virginia, where, as chief of dermatology, he served during the years 1917 and 1918. In May, 1918, assigned to U. S. A. G. H. No. 6, to the close of the war, from which he was discharged after the armistice was signed. He then returned to Taunton, Massachusetts, and resumed practice in his offices, which are located in the Crocker Building, where he is still located (1923). He is still specializing in skin diseases and in addition to his professional activities and his affiliations with professional organizations, has also found time for club connections, and for special intercourse. He is a member of the New England Society of Dermatology, of the Massachusetts Medical Society, and the American Medical Association. He is also a member of the Taunton Doctors' Club, of the Rhode Island Hospital Club, and of the New York Athletic Club. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian Church.

On June 19, 1895, at Lenox, Massachusetts, Dr. Joseph Borland Sayles married Minnie K. Tuttle, of Holyoke, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Sarah (Hunter) Tuttle, and they are the parents of one son, Gouverneur Brooks Sayles, who was born April 25, 1896. During the World War Gouverneur Brooks Sayles served in the United States Navy from 1917 to July, 1919.

**HARRY P. THOMAS**—The mercantile interests of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, form a wide and lucrative field for the endeavors of a splendid group of progressive men, and in this group Harry P. Thomas is a thoroughly representative figure. As the head of one of the oldest and largest dry goods stores in Taunton, he is taking a very definite and practical part in the general advance. Mr. Thomas is a son of Edwin A. and Lucy A. (Parkhurst) Thomas, and his father has been a merchant in Taunton for many years and is still actively identified with the concern of which his son is the head. The mother died in 1911.

Harry P. Thomas was born in Amherst, Massa-

chusetts, March 4, 1878. His education was begun in the public schools of his native city, and after a course at Andover Academy, he made special preparation for a commercial career. After the completion of his studies, Mr. Thomas entered a wholesale dry goods store in Boston, where he was active for about two years, thereby gaining large breadth of experience of great value to him in his subsequent career. The present business he established in 1900, first opening a store at No. 79 Main street, where he carried a full line of dry goods. The business has developed extensively with the passing of the years, and Mr. Thomas has carried it forward with the practical ability and ceaseless vigilance which are the surest aids to success. With modern methods and the many phases of commercial advance which have been brought within the province of dry goods activities, he has expanded its scope to meet the demands of the time, and this store is now one of the most up-to-date and well-stocked enterprises of its kind in Bristol county, and at all times is carried forward under the most progressive policies. Mr. Thomas is identified with the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally holds membership in Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and his clubs are the Winthrop, the Segregansett Country, and the Taunton Automobile. By political affiliation Mr. Thomas is a Republican, and although never interested in public life beyond the support of a progressive citizen, he has done much for organized advance during recent years, especially in the Red Cross, of which he has been treasurer since the local organization was formed. He is a leading member and director of the Young Men's Christian Association, and a member of the Broadway Trinitarian Church.

Mr. Thomas married Elizabeth G. Richardson, of Nashua, New Haven, daughter of Rev. Cyrus and Annie (Dearborn) Richardson. The father is still living, but the mother died in 1903. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are the parents of one child: Lucy, who was born in 1915.

**LOUIS GONZAGUE DESTREMPs** — Notre Dame des Lourdes Church, Fall River, of Corinthian architecture, is considered by authorities one of the truest works of its class in the United States, seats 2,200 people, and was built at a cost of \$450,000. The church is 235 feet in length, the transept 100 feet in width, the main body of the church 85 feet wide, the stone work 120 feet high, the towers rising to a height of 300 feet from the ground. This church, which was sixteen years in building, was erected by Louis Gonzague Destremps, architect and builder, whose career is herein reviewed. The ceiling representing the Judgment Day was done by Crimonini, who for ten years painted at the Vatican in Rome, he being engaged for three years on the great painting. In the church there is also one of the largest paintings on canvas in the world. The sculptor Castagnoli, a well known

artist in marble, also contributed his genius and skill to this wonderful house of worship.

Louis G. Destremps was born at St. Cuthbert, Berthier county, Province of Quebec, Canada, seven miles northwest of Berthier en Haut on the Canadian Pacific railroad, in 1851, second of the twelve children (six sons and six daughters) of Gonzague and Emma (Geureaux) Destremps, his parents born in Berthier, his father a prosperous hay and grain merchant, land owner and farmer. After parochial school study he finished courses in the commercial school at Berthier, finishing in 1866, then for two years he was a student in the Trade School of the city of Montreal. In 1868 he came to the United States and worked for about seven years as a cabinet maker, finally in 1875 returning to Montreal, Canada, where he was employed in the engineering construction department of the Grand Trunk railroad, between Montreal and Quebec. He spent two years with the Grand Trunk system, then for eighteen months engaged as a contractor in Montreal.

In 1880 Mr. Destremps came again to the United States, locating in New York City, where he spent four years as a student at Columbia University, and as architect. He was graduated from the university, class of 1884, and the same year built the first apartment house in New York City, on Madison avenue. About 1885 he located in Fall River, Massachusetts, and for the second time he began business as architect and builder. Soon afterward, however, having secured the contract from the United States Government for the erection of the barracks and officers' quarters at Fort Warren, Kingston and Jamestown, he removed to Newport, but in 1886 again returned to Fall River. He continued his contracting and building business and gained high reputation as an architect of ability and integrity, the great contract of his life coming to him in 1889, when he secured the contract and began work on that great church, Notre Dame des Lourdes, previously mentioned. While he would be quite content to rest his fame as an architect upon that great work, he has other monuments to his skill along that line both in Fall River and New Bedford, these including many private residences, the New Lincoln School, Maple Street School, Wiley School, William S. Green School, the second District Court House, and the Third District Court House, the last-named in New Bedford. In 1900 Mr. Destremps competed with architects and engineers in planning a bridge over the Moskva river, at Moscow, Russian, his designs being awarded second prize, \$1,000. He also competed for the honor of furnishing the designs for a general hospital building in California, and secured one of the prizes offered.

Mr. Destremps is an Independent in politics and a member of the Roman Catholic church. He served a term of enlistment in the Canadian Militia, and is a member of Mt. Hope Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Destremps married, at Fall River, in 1874,



Celina Mary Millet, born at St. Mary's Quebec, daughter of John B. and Margaret A. (Hamel) Millet, also born at St. Mary's. Mr. and Mrs. Destremps are the parents of five children: Louis E., an architect, residing in New Bedford, Massachusetts; Phillis, living at Fall River; Henry A., a contractor of Fall River; Victor R., an architect, associated in business with his father; and Albert O., a contractor of Montreal, Canada. Mr. Destremps' offices are at No. 49 Borden Block, the business now being conducted under the firm name Louis G. Destremps & Son, architects and builders. The family home is at No. 49 McGowan street.

**GEORGE L. CONNORS, LL.B.**—In the legal profession in Bristol county, Massachusetts, George L. Connors holds a prominent position, and for more than eleven years has been active in the practice of the law in North Attleboro, Massachusetts. He has won an assured position in his chosen field of endeavor and is considered one of the representative men of the day in this section. He is a son of George and Katherine (O'Neil) Connors, both natives of North Attleboro, the father a jeweler for many years and active as a worker in this business until his death, which occurred on January 14, 1920. The mother died in July, 1894.

George L. Connors was born at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, February 21, 1888. His education was begun in the local public schools and he was graduated from the North Attleboro High School in the class of 1906. For his professional preparations Mr. Connors entered the University of Maine Law School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1911 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar of his native State, March 1, 1912, Mr. Connors opened his office at North Attleboro in the Badaracco building, where he has since been active. Following general lines from the beginning, he has achieved marked success, and has commanded the esteem of his contemporaries in this profession. He was admitted to the bar in the State of Maine on July 17, 1916, and has been connected with various important litigations in that State. Mr. Connors has served the people of North Attleboro as counsel for the town since his appointment to that office by the board of selectmen on October 22, 1913. He has never accepted other public responsibilities, however, although in political affairs he is a loyal supporter of the Republican party. During the World War Mr. Connors enlisted in the United States Navy in July, 1918, and served until his discharge, which was received February 27, 1919. Fraternally Mr. Connors is affiliated with North Attleboro Lodge, No. 1011, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, T. P. McDonough Council, No. 330, Knights of Columbus and Phi Alpha Delta college fraternity. He is also a member of the Bar Association of the Fourth District of Bristol county, and his religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

**H. STANLEY WOOD**—In the distribution of grain and allied products, H. Stanley Wood of Taunton, Massachusetts, holds a leading position in Bristol county, and with interests centering at No. 15 Harrison avenue, he is doing a very extensive and constantly growing business. A man of broadly practical abilities and tireless energy, Mr. Wood has had long experience in his present field of commercial advance and his work is contributing to the public good in a marked degree. He is a son of Hamlet and Catherine J. (Withers) Wood, both natives of Prince Edward Island. The father, who was a farmer by occupation is deceased, but the mother is still living.

H. Stanley Wood was born at Prince Edward Island, January 9, 1875. He received his early education in the public schools, then entered the Bristol County Business School and gained a thorough preparation for his commercial career. First identified with the Atlas Tack Company, Mr. Wood later associated himself with E. C. Paull, a noted grain dealer of this section, and was with him for about seven years. When Mr. Paull sold out to the Narragansett Milling Company of Rhode Island, Mr. Wood was appointed to close up the affairs of the Paull Company, and after this had been accomplished, he was instrumental in organizing the Taunton Grain Company. He remained with this concern until 1912, when he established the present interest, which is known as the Stanley Wood Grain Company, and has become one of the foremost commercial organizations in its field. As the leading spirit and still the head of this enterprise, Mr. Wood is counted among the really significant men of the day in Taunton. He has for some years been a stockholder and director of the Weir Co-operative Bank of Taunton, and is broadly interested in all general advance. His fraternal affiliations are with Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he served as master; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppio Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston. He is a member of the Methodist church.

Mr. Wood married, in September, 1899, Florence A. Crossman, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Nathaniel J. and Ellen W. Crossman. Mr. and Mrs. Wood are the parents of five children: Lillian N., born in 1903, a graduate of high school and LaSalle; Louis H., born in 1906; Alice E., born in 1908, now (1923) in high school; Dorothy A., born in 1909; and Virginia, born in 1919.

**MERLE TAFT BARKER, A. B.**—The commercial life of Taunton, Massachusetts, commands the energies of many of the foremost executives of Bristol county, and in this general group, Merle Taft Barker holds a prominent position as treasurer and one of the active managers of the A. J. Barker Company, a leading drug store in Bristol county and one of the oldest concerns of its kind in Taun-

ton. Mr. Barker is a man of wide interest, who has filled public responsibility with energy and marked devotion, and is internationally prominent as a leading member of the Knights of King Arthur. He is a son of Orville Anson Barker, who was born at Taunton, and died in 1912. Mr. Barker was a veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted in 1862 in the 39th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He served throughout the entire period of the war, receiving his discharge in 1865, with the rank of adjutant. He later became one of the foremost citizens of Taunton, a leading figure in all branches of civic welfare there, and was one of the founders of the Morton Hospital, which he served as treasurer for many years. He was active in the drug business throughout his lifetime, handling also an important stationery department in connection with the pharmacy. He identified himself with religious advance with the Baptist church, of which he was clerk from 1877 until 1912. He married Emma Clark Eddy, who was born in Taunton, and was a descendant of Saul White Eddy, a member of a very old family of this city. She died in 1912.

Merle Taft Barker was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, June 26, 1880. His early education was acquired in the local public schools and he later entered Worcester Academy for his preparatory course, his graduation occurring with the class of 1899. For his course in the liberal arts he entered Brown University, at Providence, Rhode Island, and was graduated in the class of 1903 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For one year he was employed on the "Gazette," then became associated with his father in the drug and stationery business and has been identified with this line of activity continuously since. This enterprise was established in 1849 by Anson J. Barker, Mr. Barker's grandfather, and it has borne the name of its founder ever since. Orville Anson Barker was the son and successor of the founder, and it was under his administration that the enterprise was incorporated in 1906. The original name was retained in this change of status, the indication of incorporation being the only addition. The store is located in one of the desirable sections of the city, at Nos. 17-19 Main street, and the present officers are as follows: Ralph E. Barker, president, Merle T. Barker, treasurer, and George H. Littlejohn, clerk. This is not only one of the oldest concerns in its field in Taunton, but is one of the finest and most attractive stores, always managed on the most liberal and up-to-date policies and reflecting in its spaciousness and arrangement the high business ideals of the management. Its prescription department is presided over by the most highly skilled assistants, and in every department it is a thoroughly highclass enterprise. Mr. Barker is affiliated with various branches of commercial advance in Taunton. He has been a trustee of the Bristol County Savings Bank since 1919; served on the auditing committee of the Bristol County Trust Company, is president of the Taunton Retail Credit

Bureau, and also president of the Alkalol Company.

In those lines of endeavor which bring to the individual no reward, except the consciousness of usefulness, Mr. Barker has long been prominently identified with many organizations. He is a member of the Taunton Sinking Fund Committee; a director of the Social Welfare League, and also of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. During the World War, Mr. Barker served as a member of the Public Safety Commission, also on the Massachusetts Food Administration, and was chairman of the Taunton Food Conservation Committee, also assistant chairman of the Bristol County Food Conservation Committee. He was appointed by Mayor William J. Flood a member of the Health Committee and the City Public Safety Commission; was treasurer of the Halifax Relief Fund, at the time of the disastrous explosion. He received from the United States Government a certificate in recognition of his services during the war period. He has for many years been an active worker in the Young Men's Christian Association and is now a director of that organization.

Mr. Barker has been affiliated with the Knights of King Arthur since its organization in the city of Taunton and has been tireless in his endeavors to forward the welfare of the order and its usefulness in this section. He has received many honors from the parent order and has not only filled local and State offices in this connection but has become an international figure in the order. He was made Merlin of Winthrop Castle, Knights of King Arthur, upon its organization in 1911, he served as viscount of Palatine Court in the years 1915-16, also 1920-21; and served as State scribe of Massachusetts in 1916-17, and as vice-regent since 1920. The third highest honor that can be bestowed upon any member of this organization, that of Duke and International Chamberlain, was bestowed upon Mr. Barker in 1918, and he still holds this honor. He is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce; the University Club, of Taunton; the Winthrop Club; and the Segregansett Country Club, of which he is secretary and treasurer, also a member of the board of governors. He is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, of Brown University, and is widely affiliated in the social world of Bristol county. He attends the Winthrop Street Baptist Church.

Mr. Barker married, on June 15, 1905, Helen Sanders Godfrey, of Taunton, daughter of Charles and Sophia L. (Sanders) Godfrey, her father a leading banker in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Barker have one daughter: Eleanor, born on September 22, 1906.

**ALTON H. RILEY**—Throughout his lifetime identified with the industrial world of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, Alton H. Riley has long held an important position as the head of the firm of Riley & Franch, of which his father was one of the founders. Mr. Riley comes of a very old family of Bristol county, and is a grandson of William H.







J. C. Brady

Riley, Sr., who was born in North Attleboro, was a prominent resident of this place throughout his lifetime, and married Rhoda Corbin of Webster, Massachusetts. William H. Riley, Jr., son of these parents, was born December 30, 1844, at North Attleboro, Massachusetts. He became one of the early manufacturers of jewelry in this community, establishing the firm of Riley & French in the year 1883, and continuing at its head throughout his active lifetime. He was a director of the North Attleboro Savings Bank and a stockholder in many of the business concerns of this community. He also was said to be the largest real estate owner in North Attleboro, owning ninety houses and much other property in addition, this alone placing him among the most influential men of this town. He was prominent in fraternal orders and a leader in all civic movements. He married, in May, 1864, Ellen M. Hall, who was born in North Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Alton H. Riley, only child of William H., Jr., and Ellen M. (Hall) Riley, was born at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, March 25, 1873. Receiving his early education in the public schools of the community, he later attended Goddard Seminary, then spent one year at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Riley associated himself with his father in the manufacture of jewelry, soon becoming a member of the firm of Riley & French, and with characteristic energy he familiarized himself with every detail of the business. As time passed he assumed larger responsibility, and when his father laid down the active management of the interest, Mr. Riley became the head. This concern has developed largely in the forty years of its existence, and while the original location was on East street, at present they are located at No. 126 Broad street, where they have been active for a number of years. Occupying about 9,000 square feet of floor space, and employing 120 people, they manufacture a general line of plated jewelry, and their product is distributed to all parts of the United States. The history of the concern has been somewhat the same as many kindred enterprises, beginning on a small scale, but steadily expanding and developing until an influential position is attained. They are now ranked among the leaders in their field and are steadily going forward to even more success. Mr. Riley is affiliated with various other financial and industrial organizations, being treasurer of the A. L. Lindroth Company, manufacturing jewelers; trustee of the Attleborough Savings Bank; treasurer of the G. C. Hudson Company; treasurer of the C. Ray Randall Company, both the latter concerns also manufacturing jewelers. He is a member of the North Attleboro Board of Trade, and in political matters supports the Republican party, but has never taken a leading part in public affairs. Fraternally Mr. Riley is identified with Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Rabboni Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights' Templar, and North Attleboro Lodge, No. 1001, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His clubs

are the Wannamoisett Golf and the Metacomet Golf, these revealing his choice of recreative interests. Mr. Riley is a member of the Universalist church.

Mr. Riley married, on April 13, 1898, Effie M. Blackinton of Attleboro, daughter of William Sumner Blackinton, founder of the W & S. Blackinton Company, manufacturing jewelers of Attleboro. The mother, Nellie M. (Thurber) Blackinton, was born at North Attleboro. Mr. and Mrs. Riley have two sons: William A., born January 1, 1904, now a student at Yale University, class of 1926; and Stuart B., born June 13, 1908, now a student at Andover Preparatory School.

**JAMES CHARLES BRADY**—A native son of Fall River, Mr. Brady has remained close to the old hearthstone, and amid the familiar scenes of the old town has compiled a record of usefulness and business success that he may review with satisfaction. He won his way upward in the drug business from a junior clerkship to the proprietorship of three drug stores in Fall River, and is counted among the progressive, liberal-minded, public-spirited business men of his city.

The name Brady has been evolved from O'Grady, Rt. Rev. Hugh Brady, Lord Bishop of Meath, having been the first of the family to make the change from O'Grady, he the fourth son of Sir Denis O'Grady (alias O'Brady) of County Clare, Ireland, who died in 1569.

James Charles Brady was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, July 5, 1862, son of James and Mary Brady, his parents both of ancient Irish families, who came from County Longford, near County Clare. James Brady died in 1890, his wife surviving him until 1901, the mother of six children. James C. Brady was educated in the city public schools, finishing the course of Morgan Street Grammar School in 1875. He then spent three years in high school, leaving in 1878 to become a clerk in the drug store of H. G. Webster in the Granite Block. He was then sixteen years of age, and when B. F. Riddell succeeded Mr. Webster as proprietor of the store he continued with the new owner until 1886. During those years Mr. Brady had gained an intimate knowledge of drugs and the drug business and had passed the State Board of Examiners, receiving from that body the necessary licenses and registry. Being a registered pharmacist he decided to employ his talents and knowledge in establishing a business of his own, believing his wide acquaintance and his own skill in pharmacy to be assets worth while employing in his own behalf. After careful planning Mr. Brady opened a drug store in Fall River and to that store added in time another and still another, being now the proprietor of three stores in his home city. One of these is in the Granite Block and there he makes his headquarters, the Granite Block having been the scene of his first entrance into the business. That is his principal store, another being at the corner of Main and Spring streets, another on Pleasant street, corner of Flint street.

With his private business well established and

prospering Mr. Brady became interested in other lines and has acquired outside interests of importance. He is a director of the United Drug Company of Boston, serving on its executive committee; a director of the Metacomet National Bank and the Lafayette Coöperative Bank of Fall River; trustee of the Citizens Saving Bank of Fall River; vice-president of the United Druggists Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and director of the Fall River Laundry Company. He was president of the Retail Merchants' Association of Fall River for two years, and from 1894 until 1913 served his city as a member of the board of overseers of the poor. His clubs are the Quequechan and the Fall River Country. In religious connection he is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Brady married, October 1, 1889, at Fall River, Kate A. Cunneen, a teacher in the city public schools, daughter of James E. Cunneen, one of the oldest manufacturers of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Brady are the parents of two daughters, Agnes C. and Katharine C., both born at Fall River. The family home is No. 547 Highland avenue, and there Mr. Brady, a lover of home and home life, finds his hours "off duty" well spent.

**ANDREW J. MCGRAW**—Upon receiving his degree from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Maryland, Dr. McGraw returned to his native city, Fall River, and began practice in the Fall River Hospital, but the following year he located in Taunton, Massachusetts, where he has been in successful general practice until the present (1923). During the World War period he served in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, being assigned to the 332nd Regiment of the 83rd Division. He is a son of Hugh and Ann (Mumford) McGraw of Taunton.

Andrew J. McGraw was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, March 19, 1882, and there completed a full course of public study. He chose medicine as his profession and prepared at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Baltimore, Maryland, whence he was graduated, M. D., class of 1906. The same year he began the general practice of medicine at Fall River, but in 1907 moved to his present location, Taunton, Massachusetts, and with the exception of time out for military service as a physician, his practice in Taunton has been continuous, 1907-1923.

Dr. McGraw is a member of the Taunton Medical Club, Massachusetts Medical Society, Massachusetts Medical Legal Society, St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters. He has been associate medical examiner of Bristol county for the Taunton district for the past ten years.

He married, April 12, 1917, Florence M. Shannahan of Taunton, and they are the parents of two sons: Andrew J. (2), born in Taunton, May 4, 1921; and John, born in Taunton, April 28, 1923.

**LOUIS G. BEERS**—One of the most attractive and prosperous mercantile enterprises of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, is the jewelry store of Louis G. Beers. This was founded by his father, Stephen G. Beers, and has long been a center of distribution for really fine stock of this nature and for the repairing of watches, clocks, etc. The father died in 1919, but the mother, Frances (Brownson) Beers, is still living.

Louis G. Beers was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, May 24, 1887. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he is a graduate of Taunton High School, class of 1905. Later taking a course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was graduated in the class of 1909, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. For a time Mr. Beers did construction work in the South, but after about eight years of activity in this field he returned to Taunton on the occasion of his father's death in 1919 and took over the jewelry store thereby left without a head. Since Louis G. Beers has been owner and manager of the business, he has developed it materially, and in his success is commanding the esteem and confidence of the people of Taunton. Located at No. 6 Main street, in the central part of the city, this store is patronized very extensively, the most exclusive trade finding Mr. Beers always the progressive and courteous man of business. By political affiliation he is a Republican, but has never taken any active part in public affairs. Fraternally he is identified with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston. He is a member of the Segregansett Country Club, and his religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Beers married, in Taunton, in 1913, Bernice Lincoln, daughter of Benjamin B. and Anna B. (Deane) Lincoln. Mr. Lincoln, who was a prominent timber man, dealing in timber tracts in a large way in many parts of New England, died in 1914, but the mother is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Beers are the parents of three children: Barbara, born in 1914; Betty, born in 1918; and Nancy, born in 1922.

**RUSSELL I. RHODES**—In a special line of manufacture, Russell I. Rhodes is bearing a noteworthy part in the industrial advance of Bristol county, Massachusetts, with interests centering at North Attleboro, Massachusetts. As assistant treasurer and general manager of the Mason Box Company, Mr. Rhodes is an executive of this concern, which manufactures jewelry boxes and display cases for all kinds of jewelry and silverware and a general line of goods in this field. Mr. Rhodes' father, Stillman M. Rhodes, was born at Wrentham, Massachusetts, and was descended from a very old family of that section. He was active as a jeweler until his death, which occurred in 1884, at a comparatively early age. The mother,



Edith M. (Smith) Rhodes, was also born at Wrentham, Massachusetts, and died in 1915.

Russell I. Rhodes was born at Wrentham, Massachusetts, September 9, 1879. His education was begun in the public schools of Plainville, Massachusetts, and he was graduated from the Plainville High School in the class of 1896. Mr. Rhodes entered the business world as an employee of the Maintien Brothers, manufacturers of jewelry at Plainville, but was there active for only a short period. He taught school at Blake's Hill for about one year thereafter, then, in 1898, he entered the organization in which he now holds large responsibility. First filling the more subordinate positions in various parts of the factory, Mr. Rhodes learned all the details of the plant by the very practical method of actual experience in each branch, then, when he had a thorough grasp of the production departments, he entered the office force. He has been advanced in this connection from one position to another, each of larger responsibility, until, upon the incorporation of the firm in 1915, he was made assistant treasurer and general manager of the Mason Box Company, which position he still ably fills. This concern was founded by J. F. and C. O. Mason, beginning the manufacture of paper boxes, under the firm name of the Mason Box Company. Their first plant was a small building, located just back of their home, and a few girls were employed to make boxes for the local jewelry trade. It was in these surroundings that the present successful enterprise had its inception, and its growth has been remarkable. Carried forward as it has been under the most progressive and worthy policies, the business has become one of the really important industries of Bristol county and is now producing a very comprehensive line of boxes used in this general field. Their specialties are jewelry boxes of all descriptions, paper display cases, etc., but they make express boxes and mailing boxes, as well as various other lines of specialties. They also manufacture a very complete line of jewelry cards of distinctive design and excellent quality, in fact, they meet all the needs of the jewelry dealer for an attractive setting or background for his stock. One of their most important branches is the department of display pads, in which department they frequently bring out novelties in the way of new fabrics or tints. They have also a leather novelty department, and the factory includes a complete printing plant and a steel die printing department. This is one of the most important industries in this general field in New England and is nationally noted for its specialties, the modern factory having a floor space of 55,000 square feet and being equipped with the most approved devices for handling their work in every department. They also have a branch factory at No. 69 Sprague street, Providence, Rhode Island, where about one hundred and twenty hands are employed. Mr. Rhodes is a member of the board of directors of this organization, as well as holding the above offices, and is identified with the financial advance of this sec-

tion, as a director of the Plainville Savings and Loan Association. He is a member of the United States Chamber of Commerce, the National Paper Box Association, the National Association of Manufacturers, the New England Jewelers' Association, and the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, these affiliations being held through his connection with the Mason Box Company. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Rhodes serves the people of North Attleboro as a member of the finance committee of the town and also of the school committee. Fraternally he is identified with Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston.

Mr. Rhodes married, on June 16, 1902, Millie L. Coddington, of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Edgar D. and Harriett (Darrah) Coddington, her father a manufacturing jeweler of North Attleboro. Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes are the parents of four children: Elizabeth E., born April 1, 1903; Russell I., Jr., born December 10, 1906; Dorothy D., born March 17, 1908; Harriett C., born October 19, 1909.

**JOSEPH R. GLENNON**, who has spent his active lifetime in the textile industry, stands at the head of production of the Nemasket Mills of Taunton, Massachusetts, as superintendent, and in this connection he is taking a definite and practical part in the advance of the textile industry in Bristol county, Massachusetts. Widely experienced as he is and possessing executive ability of a high order, Mr. Glennon has taken his place as one of the thoroughly competent and noteworthy executives of Taunton, Massachusetts, and is numbered among the really significant men of Bristol county, Massachusetts. He is a son of John Glennon, who was born in County Westmeath, Ireland, and died in 1903. John Glennon came to America as a young man and became a permanent resident of New Bedford, where he was active in the rolling mills of the city, and was, until his death, a highly esteemed citizen. The mother, Catherine (Harrington) Glennon, was born in County Cork, Ireland, and died in 1902.

Joseph R. Glennon was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 16, 1878. Attending the parochial schools of his birthplace until he became of an age to enter the business world, he gained his first experience as an employee of the New Bedford Manufacturing Company, a well known cotton mill. There he remained for eighteen years, rising in the course of that period to the position of superintendent, in which connection he had the oversight of about four hundred and fifty employees. Resigning from this position, Mr. Glennon became identified with the Quisset Mills, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, as superintendent of the spinning department, and remained in this connection for

about six years. Thereafter coming to Taunton, Massachusetts, Mr. Glennon accepted the position of superintendent of the Nemasket Mills, where he is still engaged. This plant was purchased from the New England Cotton Yarn Company in 1917 by a group of New Bedford and Taunton men, headed by a progressive Boston magnate, and under the name of Nemasket Mills they have since gone forward to large success. The personnel of the corporation is as follows: William Butler, of Boston, Massachusetts, president; Edward H. Cook, of Taunton, Massachusetts, treasurer; Thomas F. Glennon, agent; and Joseph R. Glennon, superintendent, both the latter gentlemen being New Bedford citizens. The purpose of the organization is the manufacture of cotton yarns, and they employ about four hundred people, their activities occupying about 150,000 square feet of floor space. This organization has taken the leading part in the industrial advance of Taunton, Massachusetts, and in the center of a great textile section as it is, the interests of the concern are continually widening and increasing. Mr. Glennon, as superintendent of this interest, is proving a forceful and able executive, and his position as the head of production has counted definitely for the prosperity and growth of the enterprise.

Mr. Glennon was for many years prominently identified with the public life of his native city, New Bedford, Massachusetts. He was first brought forward as a member of the New Bedford City Council, to which he was elected in 1907 and on which he served for three successive years. In 1910 he was alderman of Ward Two and also served on this board for three years. In 1915 he was made a member of the Board of Health, and he has also served as chairman of the Republican Committee of the city of New Bedford for three years. During the World War he was active as chairman of the Exemption Board for Division No. 2 of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and his endeavors were fruitful of so much good that he received a certificate from the United States Government in recognition of services rendered during the war period. Fraternally Mr. Glennon is identified with the Knights of Columbus, and he is affiliated with the National Manufacturers' Association, the Southern Massachusetts Textile Association, also the Taunton Manufacturers' Association, he is identified with the Plymouth Club of New Bedford, of which he was president for two years. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Name in New Bedford.

Mr. Glennon married, in 1910, Nora Mary Manchester, who was born in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and is a daughter of John and Catherine (Madigan) Manchester, both also natives of Bristol county. Mr. and Mrs. Glennon have three children: Winnifred M., born in March, 1911; Joseph R., Jr., born in August, 1912; and Rita, born in March, 1915.

**JEREMIAH F. SULLIVAN**—Broadly representative of the energy and initiative which carry a

man to a place of dignity and responsibility in the community, Jeremiah F. Sullivan has won his way from boyhood without aid or influence, and has now for some years been prominently identified with the public service of Fall River as chief of the fire department. By nature a capable executive, and by training and experience broadly familiar with conditions in the business world, Mr. Sullivan is considered one of the most capable men who has ever filled this largely responsible office. His genial spirit and friendly smile have made him very popular in the department, and the organization is steadily going forward along progressive and ever increasingly efficient lines. Mr. Sullivan is a son of Jeremiah and Catherine (O'Neil) Sullivan, who were both born and reared in County Cork, Ireland and also were married there. The father came to the United States in 1877 to prepare a home for his family and sent for them the following year. They came directly to Fall River, where he had located, and where he had become established in his trade of shoemaker. He conducted a shoe shop in this city until his death, which occurred in 1887, the mother surviving him for about six years, and passing away in 1893.

Jeremiah F. Sullivan was born in County Cork, Ireland, January 10, 1865, and was about thirteen years of age when he came to this country. His education had been completed in the national schools of Ireland, and being the oldest of twelve children it became necessary for him to assist with the family support as soon as they were settled in this country. He worked in a shoe shop for his father for a short time, then secured a position as grocer's clerk, and eventually became a commercial salesman for the Cudahy Packing Company, covering the territory centering about Fall River. Mr. Sullivan was engaged along this line until the year 1894, when he entered the grocery business independently, and for five years was very successful. The financial depression coincidental with the administration of President Cleveland occasioned such hardship among the working people that Mr. Sullivan's losses were greater than he could well meet, and he sold out this business. For a time he again associated himself with the Cudahy Packing Company, but eventually disposed of his private interests to take up duties of the public service.

As early as the year 1887 Mr. Sullivan received an appointment as call man on the Fall River Fire Department. He served in this capacity until June 1, 1901, when he received his appointment to the regular force. Always enthusiastic in his work as a fireman, and now feeling anew his responsibilities in this vital branch of civic protection, Mr. Sullivan soon received his first promotion, being appointed lieutenant on October 8, 1903. His rise was steady and on February 28, 1909, he was appointed captain, in which capacity he served for nearly twelve years. On December 1, 1920, he received his appointment as deputy chief and on May 29, 1922, immediately after the death of Chief Bowers, Mr. Sullivan was appointed acting chief of the depart-





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ment. Rising from the ranks as he had done, and serving thus under one of the most able executives of the department in recent years, Mr. Sullivan was the logical successor of Chief Bowers, and his service as acting chief was confirmed and made permanent by his appointment on August 22, 1922, as chief of the Fall River Fire Department. With the full powers of this office in his hands Mr. Sullivan took up its duties with vigor and the efficiency of long service in this department. He has gone forward with singleness of purpose, his effort being constantly to improve conditions and increase the efficiency of the force, and those who know him best and are most familiar with the work of the department are most lavish in their commendation of his activities. The city's safety and welfare lie in good hands, and Mr. Sullivan is looked upon as a man whose usefulness will continue to increase for many years to come. He has few affiliations outside of the department, but is a member of the Knights of Columbus. He belongs to the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church and is a member of the Holy Name Society of that church.

Mr. Sullivan married, September 28, 1904, Sarah E. Sullivan of Springfield, Massachusetts, and it seems a strange coincidence that Mrs. Sullivan's mother's maiden name was also Sullivan, none of these families being related. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan have been the parents of five children, of whom only one survives: John M., graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1924.

**FREDERICK WEBB**—A story of notable and well earned success is that of Frederick Webb, of the firm of Cherry & Webb, who is an associate in the ownership and management of six prosperous ladies cloak and suit establishments in as many different cities in New England. The Cherry & Webb store, in Fall, River, Massachusetts, located at Nos. 139-149 South Main street, is a handsome, new, modernly equipped one and a leader in its field. It carries a full line of all descriptions of ladies', misses', and infants' garments, and each year sees a large increase in the volume of its business.

Mr. Webb was born in Godmanchester, Huntingdonshire, England, August 24, 1864, son of Joseph Webb, a malster. He attended the public schools in Huntingdon, and after completing his course in the grammar school entered the office of Hunnybun & Sons, solicitors or lawyers, in Huntingdon. That connection he maintained for some five years and then left his native land to come to Streetsville, Province of Ontario, Canada, where he was associated with his uncle, William Webb, as clerk in a general store for a period of five years. He then went to Aurora, Ontario, where he served as clerk in the establishment of Mr. Grennan. While there he met William S. Cherry, a fellow clerk, and the two young men became interested in each other, not only as friends in a social sense but as partners in the building of plans for future business success.

From Aurora Mr. Webb came to the States in order that he might further widen his experiences and gain a fuller knowledge of the ways and the mental attitude of the purchasing public. He decided to locate first in Worcester, Massachusetts, where he secured a position in the Healy Cloak and Suit Store. About a year later he again made a change, this time entering the employ of Denholm & McKay as clerk. Meantime, both he and Mr. Cherry were looking for a good opportunity to establish a business of their own, and in Fall River, they found the opening for which they were searching. In 1898 they formed a partnership, and under the name of the New York Cloak and Suit Company, opened an establishment on South Main street. They carried a line of ladies' ready-to-wear clothing and from the first met with encouraging success. Subsequently they discarded the name New York Cloak and Suit Company, and continued the business under their own names, Cherry & Webb. As their patronage grew, they from time to time opened other stores in Providence, Rhode Island, and in New Bedford, Brockton, Lowell, and Lawrence, in Massachusetts, taking in new partners. The Fall River store was started in what was called Flint's Exchange, and eventually they leased the entire building. In the big conflagration of 1916, however, the building with many other places of business on South Main street was destroyed. This disaster brought out the progressive spirit of the firm of Cherry & Webb for notwithstanding snowstorms and other difficulties they erected within twenty-one working days, a temporary building on the then vacant site of the Masonic Temple on North Main street. It is interesting to note that throughout the war this temporary building was used as headquarters by the American Red Cross and American Legion. The widening of South Main street at this time was a notable improvement to the city. The firm of Cherry & Webb purchased the First Methodist Church, which was located in the center of the town, and upon that site erected the handsome modern building which they now occupy. Until 1922 the stores in the different cities were conducted under a partnership plan, but in 1922 each concern was separately incorporated under a corporate name of its own. In each of the cities mentioned above, the stores founded by Mr. Cherry and Mr. Webb have become leaders in their field. They carry a full line of ladies', misses', and children's suits, coats, dresses, costumes, furs, millinery, skirts, waists, etc., and are experts in catering to the purchasers of those articles. In addition to the numerous business responsibilities already named, Mr. Webb is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Fall River National Bank, the Osborn Mills, and the Massasoit Mills.

Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. He has had considerable military training. As a young man he joined the First Cambridgeshire Volunteers, of Cambridgeshire, England, and after he went to Canada he joined the Peel Battalion of Ontario, in which he attained the rank of

sergeant-major. Fraternally he is a member of the King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fall River; and he is well known in club circles, being a member of several clubs, among which are the Quequechan Club, the Old Colony Club, Megantic Fish and Game Club, and the Fall River Yacht Club, in which he had the rank of commodore for several years. He finds his favorite recreation in fishing and yachting and is popular among a large group of his fellow members in the Yacht Club. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist church.

Frederick Webb married, at Portsmouth, Rhode Island, December 28, 1910, Alice Wilcox Anthony, daughter of Henry Clay and Eldora Jane (Wilcox) Anthony, the former of whom represented his district in the State Senate in Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Webb have no children. Mrs. Webb, however, is bringing up and educating her nephew, Warren W. Anthony, who as an infant was the sole survivor of his family in a drowning tragedy in Narragansett Bay.

**REUBEN C. SMALL**—The Small Brothers Manufacturing Company of Fall River, of which Elisha H. Small, a sketch of whom follows, is president, and of which Reuben C. Small is treasurer, was originally a reorganization of the twine and cordage manufacturing business of William H. Simmons. The Small brothers are grandsons of Captain Francis Small, a whaling captain of Provincetown, Massachusetts; and sons of Reuben C. and Catherine (Hooton) Small, whose marriage occurred in 1855. Reuben C. Small was born in Provincetown, Massachusetts; he engaged in the lumber business, operated a grocery store, and later engaged in the sale of fish. Mrs. Small was born in Boston, Massachusetts.

Reuben C. Small was born in Provincetown, Massachusetts, March 23, 1859, and there spent the first twelve years of his life, beginning his education in the local schools. In 1871 his parents removed to Syracuse, New York, but returned soon to Massachusetts, arriving at Fall River, February 28, 1872. The following April 9, he began working in the Durfee Mill No. 2, his first duty being as a back boy, his wages forty-eight cents daily. He passed through different positions in the Durfee Mill during the six years he was employed there, he next going to the Crescent Mill, where he was employed for about one year. The next four years were spent at the Merchants' Mill, he going thence in 1883 to the Borden Manufacturing Company as overseer of the cloth mill, an important position which he held for three years, until 1886, when he resigned to join his brother, Elisha H. Small, in financing and reorganizing the twine and cordage business which the brother had been running.

Reuben C. Small knew nothing about cordage manufacturing, but he trusted his brother's judgment and put in the amount of money necessary to secure an interest in the business. The brothers then used their credit to erect a new mill and re-

equip it properly, and soon were in successful operation and have so continued during the thirty-seven years which have since elapsed. In 1919 they incorporated as the Small Brothers Manufacturing Company, Elisha H. Small, president; Reuben C. Small, treasurer. This division of the responsibility has prevailed from the beginning, Reuben C. being the financial and Elisha H. the manufacturing head of the business. The new owners were soon firmly established in a successful business, and there has never been any cessation in the prosperity of the plant, which now occupies 60,000 square feet of floor space. A warehouse floorage of 100,000 square feet is also in use, the Small Brothers Manufacturing Company now owning almost the entire block on which the mill and warehouse are located.

Reuben C. Small is a member of the board of directors of the Charlton Mills; a director of the Parker Mills; the Fall River Trust Company; the Lafayette Co-operative Bank; the Walker Webbing Company of Providence, Rhode Island; is a incorporator of the Citizens' National Bank; treasurer of the Fifty Associates Loan Company; and for the past twenty years has been a member of the Fall River Park Commission. Mr. Small is a member of the Masonic order, affiliating with Narragansett Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; Fall River Lodge of Perfection; Samuel C. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem; Chapter of Rose Croix; Massachusetts Consistory, thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Friendly Union Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Fall River Rotary Club; Fall River Historical Society; the Quequechan Club; and the board of trustees of Union Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1883 Mr. Small married Anna A. Standish, a descendant of Miles Standish, of "Mayflower" fame, a Pilgrim and a soldier, in the ninth generation. Mr. and Mrs. Small are the parents of two children: 1. Edith S. 2. Norman C., now assistant treasurer of the Small Brothers Manufacturing Company. The family home is at No. 1766 Highland avenue, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**ELISHA H. SMALL** was born in Provincetown, Massachusetts, March 15, 1862. He spent the first nine years of his life in the town of his birth, Syracuse, New York, becoming the family home in 1871, but nine months later they returned to Massachusetts, settling at Fall River. Elisha H. Small attended the public schools until fourteen years of age, then began at a boy's work in a cotton mill, but even before that he had become familiar with mill work, having spent his school vocation in a cotton mill. He continued a cotton mill worker until reaching the age of twenty-one, when he secured a place with William H. Simmons, a manufacturer of twines and clothes lines, remaining with Mr. Simmons for two years. The business was



not prosperous, there being serious leaks that were plain to Mr. Small, who suggested remedies to Mr. Simmons which were unheeded. When finally failure was inevitable Mr. Simmons sold his business to Mr. Small, who operated the plant for about a year, and then found a partner in his brother, Reuben C., who joined him in the enterprise. In addition to acting as president of the Small Brothers Manufacturing Company of Fall River, Mr. Small is president of the Fifty Associates Loan Company.

Elisha H. Small is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; St. Lawrence Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar, and of Massachusetts Consistory, thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a member of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Mt. Hope Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Quequechan Club; is a member of the official board of Union Methodist Church, and in politics is a Republican.

Mr. Small married, in February, 1882, Hannah Crowther, of Fall River, and they are the parents of three children: 1. Reuben T., engaged in the dairy and poultry business in Lehighton, Pennsylvania. 2. Ethelwyne M., married William B. Squire, superintendent of The Small Brothers Manufacturing Company. 3. Lillian H., married Dr. Roy F. Brown, a captain of the medical department of the United States Army, stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Savannah, Georgia. The family home is at No. 878 Rock street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**GEORGE FRANKLIN WATERS**—One of the newly organized and fast growing industrial enterprises of Fall River, the Old Colony Thread Company, owes its inception and present development to its able executive head, George F. Waters, Harvard A. B., 1908, who is both president of the corporation and general manager. Mr. Waters has made his reputation in the business world entirely through his personal quality, his inherited tastes all being professional. His father, Rev. Thomas Franklin Waters, born in Salem, Massachusetts, in 1851, died in 1919, was a minister of the gospel, serving the South Congregational Church, at Ipswich, Massachusetts, for thirty years. He was a graduate of Harvard, class of 1872, receiving from the university an honorary A. M. in 1909, in recognition of his "History of Ipswich in the Massachusetts Bay Colony." Rev. Thomas Franklin Waters married Adaline Melville Orswell, born in Edgartown, Massachusetts, in 1858, who survives him, a resident of Ipswich, Massachusetts.

George Franklin Waters, son of Rev. Thomas Franklin and Adaline Melville (Orswell) Waters, was born in Ipswich, Massachusetts, February 15, 1887. His education began in Ipswich public schools and was continued in Salem High School, class of 1903, and at Harvard University, whence he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts,

class of 1908. He made his entrance into business life as a clerk in the Boston banking house, Lee, Higginson & Company, and for two years was in the employ of that well known firm. He then began his career as a textile manufacturer, spending two and one-half years in the Ipswich Mills, learning the business from the manufacturers' angle. In 1912 Mr. Waters located at Fall River, as agent for the Globe Yarn Mills, and in 1914 resigned to organize the French Manufacturing Company, of Warren, Rhode Island, a corporation that became prosperous as manufacturers of thread. In 1921 Mr. Waters returned to Fall River and organized the Old Colony Thread Company, of which he is president and manager. The company manufactures cotton thread; their plant at No. 794 North Main street, Fall River.

In politics Mr. Waters is a Republican, and in religious faith a Congregationalist, affiliated with the First Church, at Fall River. He is a member of John T. Heard Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Ipswich; Theta Delta Chi fraternity, of Harvard; the Fetherdic Tennis Club; the Fall River Country Club; and the Harvard Club, of Fall River.

George Franklin Waters married, in Newburyport, Massachusetts, September 20, 1911, Rosalie Eggers Chase, born in Newburyport, daughter of Joshua L. and Anna (Eggers) Chase, her father born in Newburyport; her mother born in New Jersey. Mr. and Mrs. Waters are the parents of three children: Thomas Franklin, 2nd, born September 7, 1912; Merrill Chase, born March 26, 1914; and Janet, born November 25, 1917.

**JOHN J. MANSFIELD**—The manufacture of brick has for many years been a noteworthy industry in the city of Taunton, and in this general line of endeavor John J. Mansfield holds large executive responsibility, as general manager of the Stiles & Hart Brick Company, of Taunton. With a practical training for a business career and a life long experience in the field in which he is now engaged, Mr. Mansfield has given to the progress of this enterprise his full powers and has been a leading figure in its development during the past decade. He is a son of Patrick H. Mansfield, of East Taunton, who is well known in this part of Bristol county as a carriage maker and blacksmith, and is a prominent and progressive citizen of that community. The mother, Maria E. (Osborne) Mansfield, was born at Canton, Massachusetts, and is also still living.

John J. Mansfield was born at Sharon, Massachusetts, October 25, 1884. His education was begun in the public schools of Taunton, to which city the family had removed in his childhood, and he later attended the parochial schools of this city. Preparing for his career at the Bristol County School of Business, Mr. Mansfield entered upon his business life in the employ of the Stiles & Hart Brick Company, with whom he has since been continuously connected. His first position was that of office boy and he was steadily advanced through

various desks, always to positions of higher responsibility, until following the death of Mr. Hart, which occurred in 1919, he became manager of the business. This is one of the old and important brick manufacturing plants in Bristol county and its history is so closely interwoven with the growth and development of the city that it is incorporated into the industrial chapters of this work in an editorial way. As the managing head of this industry, Mr. Mansfield holds a leading position in the business world of Bristol county and he is also a director of the Bridgewater Brick Company and manager of that company as well.

In the public life of the city, Mr. Mansfield keeps in touch with the general advance, but beyond his loyal support of the Republican party in political affairs, he has never taken an active part. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Mansfield is more widely known, however, as a leading breeder of dogs, specializing in foxhounds. He has taken many prizes in different parts of the country in leading shows and has won very high rank among dog fanciers. Mr. Mansfield has gained a national reputation as a judge and referee at bench shows throughout the United States, and is considered a leading authority on this subject. He is president and one of the founders of the Old Colony Kennel Club, of Taunton, is a member and director of the Brunswick Foxhound Club, and also holds the same offices in the New England Foxhound Club. Mr. Mansfield's leisure interests also include music and theatricals, and he has for some years been a leader on public occasions in these lines of interest. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Mr. Mansfield married, on September 22, 1920, Harriet E. Lewis, of Westerly, Rhode Island, daughter of John W. and Mary (Cone) Lewis, her father a native of New London, Connecticut, and her mother a native of East Haddam, Connecticut. Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield are the parents of one daughter, Elizabeth, born September 17, 1921.

**WILLIAM JOHN COLBERT**, whose meteoric rise from the lowly position of chore boy to executive manager of a large manufacturing plant and finally to that of owner and manufacturer himself, is a career but seldom paralleled in the textile business. Mr. Colbert, the possessor of two of the most important of all business attributes, energy and ability, gained his present high status in the industrial world by the consistent application of both of these prime adjuncts to good business to whatever work he found himself engaged in at the moment.

William John Colbert was born in County Waterford, Ireland, on June 21, 1870, a son of John B. and Margaret (de La Garde) Colbert, respected residents of County Waterford. John B. Colbert was born in the year 1837, became an expert machinist, removed to America with his wife and children, settled in Fall River, Massachusetts, and fol-

lowed his trade for twenty-five years in the employ of the American Linen Company, of Fall River. His death occurred in the city of his adoption, in 1913. His wife, Margaret de La Garde, was a member of a fine old French family of that name who had left their native country during the persecution of the Huguenots. She was born in 1837, and died at Fall River, in 1912, during her seventy-sixth year.

William John Colbert received his early education in the public schools of Dublin, Ireland. In 1882 he came with his parents to Fall River and attended the local grammar schools, subsequently entering the Bradford Durfee Textile School, having taken thorough courses in weaving, carding, and other branches relating to the textile industry. At an early age it became necessary for Mr. Colbert to aid in the maintenance of the family, and he found employment with the American Linen Company as chore boy and weaver, remaining here for a period of seven years and being promoted to loomfixer. He severed his connection with the American Linen Company to accept the position of loomfixer with the Union Cotton Company, remaining in the employ of the latter concern for one year. During the following seven years he was engaged as loomfixer and second hand in the Slade Mills, and later spent three months in the same capacity in the Mechanics Mill. He then returned to the American Linen Company as overseer of weaving, and was thus employed for a space of fifteen years, relinquishing his overseership to become the superintendent of the plant where, years before, he had started in as a chore boy. In 1919, after an incumbency of seven years, he resigned the superintendency owing to ill health. After three months' residence in the State of Florida, Mr. Colbert's health was so much improved that he returned to Fall River, and in 1920, was one of the organizers of the Grinnell Yarn Company. This venture has been very successful. Mr. Colbert fills the two positions of president and superintendent, and the company, from its factory on Grinnell street, manufactures quantities of cotton coarse yarn for the electrical trade. At the present time the Grinnell Yarn Company is in a very prosperous condition.

Always cognizant of the needs and difficulties of the textile business and with an inventive turn of mind, Mr. Colbert has originated an ingenious appliance to be utilized by the fancy cotton trade, a harness hook, which he is having patented under the name of the "Tite Lock Hook." Manufacture of this invention has begun and it will fill a long felt want in the mills of the country manufacturing fancy cloths. An appliance of this kind has long been needed and it is expected that it will revolutionize that phase of the textile industry for which it is intended.

Politically Mr. Colbert is an Independent, preferring not to be hampered by the often too closely drawn party lines which are more than liable to obscure and detract from momentous issues and nationally important questions. Mr. Colbert's home



is at No. 455 Middle street, Fall River, Massachusetts. His religious affiliations are with the Roman Catholic church and he is active in the work of the church, in the local social life, and in any movement designed for the advancement and betterment of civic conditions and public welfare. As a progressive manufacturer and astute business man, he exerts a not inconsiderable influence on the industrial life of Bristol county and the city of Fall River.

**JAMES ARNOLD McLANE** began his active career thirty-two years ago, in the Hargraves & Parker Mills, where he learned the cotton weaving business. Today, after fourteen years of service in other mills, he is superintendent of the mills in which he began as an apprentice, though the name has been changed from Hargraves & Parker to the Parker Mills. James McLane, father of Mr. McLane, served in the Navy throughout the period of the Civil War.

James Arnold McLane, son of James and Mary J. (Hurley) McLane, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 12, 1874, and attended the public schools of his native city, including the high school. In 1891 he became associated with the Hargraves & Parker Mills, where he remained until 1902, rising to the position of overseer of the carding department. He was able and energetic, and in 1902 he left the Hargraves & Parker Mills to accept a position as superintendent of the Davis Mill. Eight years later he was appointed superintendent of the Hargraves & Parker Mills. After seven years of efficient service in that connection he again returned to the Davis Mill as superintendent. For six years more he gave careful attention to the interest of the Davis Mill, demonstrating executive ability of a high order, and achieving notable success in "getting things done." Though the proprietors of the Davis Mill appreciated fully the value of his service to the concern, Mr. McLane decided to return to the Parker Mills in October, 1923, in the capacity of superintendent of their mills. Mr. McLane is well known in Fall River, having spent the entire period of his life in that community, and has a host of friends who esteem him highly, not only because of his ability, but also for his sterling qualities of character. He gives his support to the principles and candidates of the Republican party, but has never aspired to public office. He is prominent in Masonic circles, being a member of the bodies of both the Scottish and York Rites, and holding the thirty-second degree in Massachusetts Consistory. He is also a member of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In club activities too, he is well known, being a member of Quequechan Club, and of the Fall River Country Club. His religious interest is with the First Baptist Church, of which he is an attendant.

James Arnold McLane married in Fall River, Massachusetts, July, 1905, Addie B. Reynolds, who was born in Fall River, daughter of Charles and Addie B. (Tripp) Reynolds, both natives of Fall

River. Mr. and Mrs. McLane have one child, James Bradford, who was born in Fall River, April 4, 1906.

**JOSEPH F. RIOUX**—In the jewelry trade throughout the United States the name of Joseph F. Rioux is widely familiar as the manufacturer of the Surefit flexible wrist-watch straps which are now being distributed in all parts of the civilized world. Mr. Rioux has for the past six years been the owner of the Bliss Brothers Company and is carrying it forwards to a large and ever increasing success. He is a son of Timothy and Adele (Merchant) Rioux, both natives of Canada, the father throughout his lifetime a farmer, formerly in the Province of Quebec.

Joseph F. Rioux was born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, on December 19, 1873. The family removed to Massachusetts during his boyhood and settled in North Attleboro, Mr. Rioux obtaining his education in the public schools of this place, laying a practical foundation for his career. He learned the trade of jeweler with George W. Cheever, of North Attleboro, and after working in this connection for about three years, he was employed successively by the following jewelers of this section: V. H. Blackinton, E. I. Franklin, S. O. Bigney, and A. A. Greene. With the last named jeweler Mr. Rioux remained for a period of nineteen years, and during that time he was appointed to the position of superintendent, later becoming associated with the firm. In January, 1917, he struck out for himself by taking over the jewelry business of the Bliss Brothers Company, which he continued without changing the name. The Bliss Brothers Company was established in the year 1873, under the title of Bliss Brothers and Everett, and has been actively carried forward since without interruption. Plans are now being completed for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of this enterprise, for although Mr. Rioux has been at the head for only a comparatively short time, he feels the deepest interest and pride in the long and honorable record of achievement of this concern. The enterprise has always been preëminent in the manufacture of gold, silver and plated jewelry. During the period of his connection with this business, Mr. Rioux has developed the volume of production and enlarged the scope of operations until now the Bliss Brothers Company is rated second to none among the leading concerns of a similar nature throughout Bristol county. Mr. Rioux is a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association, the Manufacturing Jewelers' Board of Trade, and the National Jewelers' Board of Trade of New York. He is also a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, which he serves as a director.

In politics Mr. Rioux has never aspired to office-holding, owing to the pressure of his business duties. He is, however a loyal advocate and an interested worker in any worthy public or civic movement. Fraternally he is affiliated with the

Providence Lodge, No. 14, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and his clubs include the Highland Club, the Lions Club, and the West Side Club, of Attleboro, of which latter organization he is the present incumbent of the president's chair. He is a member of St. John's Roman Catholic Church.

Joseph F. Rioux married Miss Frances O'Donnell, of Attleboro, and they are the parents of three children: Raymond J., a graduate of the Rhode Island State College; Veronica A., and Frances H.

**JOSEPH A. GLENN**—One of the most noteworthy figures in large construction work in Taunton, Massachusetts, is Joseph A. Glenn, who was a pioneer in reinforced concrete construction work in Bristol county, and has for the past five years been located in Taunton. Mr. Glenn is a son of Joseph Glenn, who was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, and came to this country many years ago. He is a farmer by occupation and a man of the highest integrity. The mother, Elizabeth (Black) Glenn, who was also a native of County Tyrone, Ireland, died in 1918.

Joseph A. Glenn was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, April 28, 1882. His education was begun in the public schools of his native land, and after coming to America he took a special course in civil engineering in a business college in Boston. Eighteen years of age when he came to this country, Mr. Glenn settled first in the city of Bridgewater, Massachusetts, later removing to Middleboro. He was employed by various people for the first few years, then learned the trade of carpenter at Chelsea, Massachusetts, and one of the first contracts on which he worked was the Harvard Stadium at Cambridge. He was later active as foreman for Norcross Brothers, large building contractors, also as superintendent for the Kearns Company. In the year 1911 Mr. Glenn established himself in an independent business interest under his own name at Fall River, Massachusetts, along the line of reinforced concrete construction. Located at No. 909 High street, Fall River, he built the first house in that city, made entirely of concrete. After about seven years of activity in Fall River, during which he did much important work in this field, Mr. Glenn removed to Taunton, and, securing desirable headquarters on Porter street, he has since continued in the same general line of endeavor. He has erected many of the more important buildings constructed within the past five years in Taunton, among which may be mentioned the office and salesrooms of the Robertson Motor Company of Taunton. He has built three bridges for the city of Taunton, and the buildings which he has erected, most of which he has designed himself, are among the finest structures in the city. As the sole owner of this prosperous and steadily growing business, Mr. Glenn is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce. By political affiliation he is a Republican, but takes only the interest of the progressive citizens in public life. Fraternally he is identified with Man-

chester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has held all offices up to and including past grand. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Glenn married, in 1903, Marion Taylor of St. John's, Newfoundland, daughter of James Taylor of that city. They are the parents of one daughter, Alvina, born February 5, 1904.

**BYRON EVERITT EDDY**—Success in any line of endeavor is obtained by keeping the goal always in sight, and when a man lays a foundation of knowledge in the details of the business he is undertaking, his industry combined with that generally lands him where he aims to be. Not content with what he could learn in the mill during the daytime, Byron Everitt Eddy attended textile school at night while learning his trade, with the result that he rose in his positions until he became superintendent of the concern for which he works.

Mr. Eddy was born July 28, 1886, at Swansea, Massachusetts, son of John Baker and Ann L. (Place) Eddy; his father a native of the same place, was born October 5, 1859, had a piano store, and was also a piano tuner and an instructor of music in Warren, Rhode Island. His mother was a native of Warren, Rhode Island, born April 17, 1861, and died in January, 1919. Byron Everitt Eddy was educated in the Swansea schools, and at the B. M. C. Durfee High School at Fall River, from which he was graduated in 1905. He then entered the employ of the Stevens Manufacturing Company, where he worked in the office for a short time, and then went in to the mill to learn the business. At the same time he attended the textile night school, and so valuable did he make himself, that when he left after fourteen years, he was overseer of the finishing department. He then became superintendent of the Comanicut Mill, in which capacity he served four years, and of the American Linen Mill Company, where for one and one-half years he did splendid service. On January 1, 1923, having severed his connections with these two mills, he entered the employ of the Stafford Mills of Fall River, one of the large manufacturers of cotton goods, where he is superintendent. Mr. Eddy is active in the civic life of the city, being a Republican in his politics, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. In his religious affiliation he belongs to Christ Church of Swansea, serving as a member of the vestry, and fraternally he is a member of the Masonic order, holding the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is also a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

He married, October 6, 1915, at Swansea, Cora A. McGowan, daughter of Christopher and Harriet (Walker) McGowan. Mr. and Mrs. Eddy are the parents of a daughter: Eleanor M., born March 30, 1918.

**JOSEPH E. GAYNOR, LL.B.**—In legal circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Joseph E. Gaynor

is a well-known figure, his professional activity having now covered a full decade. He has been eminently successful along general lines of practice and is considered one of the progressive men of the day in the profession of the law. He is a son of Thomas F. Gaynor, a prominent grocer of Norton, Massachusetts, and the mother, Mary (Hayes) Gaynor, was born in Mansfield, Massachusetts, and died in 1896.

Joseph E. Gaynor was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, June 18, 1892. Attending first the local public schools of that community, he later became a student at the Attleboro High School, and was graduated with the class of 1909. Spending one year at Boston College in the liberal arts course he then entered the Boston University Law School from which he was graduated in the class of 1913 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Admitted to the bar in the fall of the same year, Mr. Gaynor entered upon the practice of his profession in Attleboro, with offices in the Gifford building at No. 16 Park street, and has continued in this location until the present time (1923). He has followed general lines of practice from the beginning and has attained noteworthy success. Mr. Gaynor was a member of the first City Council of Attleboro, representing Ward Five, and has been a member of this body for six years, during the last year serving as president. During the World War Mr. Gaynor acted as a member of the Advisory Committee in charge of Ward Five, and was a leading figure in the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives, receiving from the United States Government a certificate in recognition of services rendered. He is affiliated with St. John's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Gaynor married, in 1917, Helen Westberg of Waltham, Massachusetts, daughter of Charles and Augusta Westberg.

**LESTER PINGREE BROWN**—As president of the L. P. Brown Machinery and Tool Company of Attleboro, Massachusetts, Lester Pingree Brown holds a broadly noteworthy position, and his endeavors are contributing in a marked degree to the advance not only of local industries but of industrial interests in all parts of New England. Mr. Brown brought to his executive responsibility as the head of this concern long experience and practical ability, and has been a vital force in its development and present success. He is a son of John P. Brown, who was born in Littleton, Massachusetts, and was active throughout his lifetime as a quarryman, for many years being superintendent of a stone quarry at different places. He died in 1908. The mother, Clara E. (Richardson) Brown, was born at Otter Creek, Maine, and still (1923) survives her husband.

Lester Pingree Brown was born at Westboro, Massachusetts, July 28, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools, and, following his graduation from the Westboro High School, he entered the Rhode Island School of Design, where he covered a comprehensive course in mechanical engineering. Thereafter Mr. Brown associated him-

self with the Brown & Sharpe Company of Providence, Rhode Island, internationally famous as manufacturers of the Brown & Sharpe screw machines and other machinery. In this connection Mr. Brown learned the trade of machinist, also remaining for a time after mastering the trade, and spending about six years in all with this concern. He then went to Windsor, Vermont, where he entered the employ of the Windsor Machine Tool Company as a tool-maker, and was there active until the year 1908. For a time he worked at Bel lows Falls, Vermont, then returned to his native State and became identified with the Card Manufacturing Company at Mansfield, Massachusetts, remaining with that concern until 1916. Mr. Brown then formed his present affiliation with J. A. Martin (whose sketch follows), Frank H. C. Young also becoming a member of the firm. Under the name of the L. P. Brown Machinery and Tool Company these progressive men went forward in the manufacture of machinery and tools, making a specialty of the finer branches of the business. Their leaders in the way of jewelers' tools are marvels of accuracy and excellent workmanship and their products are everywhere acknowledged of unusual merit. Occupying the lower floor of an industrial building at No. 104 County street, with about 6,500 square feet of floor space, they employ normally about twenty-five or thirty hands, and are doing a very prosperous and constantly growing business. The scope of their activities has by no means been limited to the local demand, but their product is shipped throughout New England. Mr. Young resigned from the firm in the year 1918 and Messrs. Brown and Martin have since conducted the business together, Mr. Brown as president and Mr. Martin as secretary and treasurer. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Brown takes a deep interest in all advance, but has never permitted his name to be brought forward as a candidate for public office. He is a member of the Baptist church.

Mr. Brown married, in 1903, Elsie A. Gridley of West Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are the parents of three children: Beatrice P., born November 6, 1904, a graduate of the Attleboro High School; Howard P., born January 9, 1909, and Helen E., born March 5, 1910.

**JOSIAH A. MARTIN**—Along special lines of manufacture in the production of machinery and tools Josiah A. Martin is a prominent figure in Attleboro, Massachusetts, as secretary and treasurer of the L. P. Brown Machinery and Tool Company. With life experience in this general field of endeavor Mr. Martin is achieving large success as one of the executive heads of this enterprise, and his activities are bearing direct relation to the present day progress in industrial affairs. Mr. Martin is a son of George J. and Emma F. (Bowen) Martin, his father throughout his lifetime a prominent farmer of Rhode Island, who died in 1913.



The mother, who was born at Rehoboth, Massachusetts, is still (1923) living.

Josiah A. Martin was born at East Providence, Rhode Island, December 9, 1883. Receiving a broadly practical education in the public and high schools of his native place, Mr. Martin entered the business world with the Providence Engineering Company as an apprentice to the trade of machinist. Interested particularly in the finer branches of mechanical work, he later took up jewelers' tool-making, and was employed by various concerns in the Attleboros about three years, and then for eight years was employed with the S. W. Card Company at Mansfield, Massachusetts, when he struck out in a more independent way. At that time, in association with Lester P. Brown (whose sketch precedes) and Frank H. C. Young, Mr. Martin established the L. P. Brown Machinery and Tool Company, with plant at No. 104 County street, particulars of which appear in the preceding sketch. Mr. Martin is secretary and treasurer of the company. In public affairs Mr. Martin takes an active interest, supporting the Republican party in political matters. He was treasurer of the Republican Town Committee of Mansfield for several years. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is a member of St. James Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons of Mansfield, Massachusetts, and the New England Order of Protection. His religious affiliation is with the Second Congregational Church.

Mr. Martin married, in 1907, Lottie Nelson, and they are the parents of one child: Allen A., born December 7, 1908.

**LAWRENCE PIERSON KEELER**, who stands among the noteworthy executives of the jewelry industry of Attleboro, Massachusetts, has won marked success in the manufacture of this product, which forms so important a part of the industrial life of this city. Interested in this field of endeavor from boyhood, he was affiliated with his father until the death of the latter, and has since been president of the firm of McRae & Keeler, of which his father was one of the founders. Mr. Keeler comes of a very old New England family and his grandfather, Rev. S. C. Keeler was prominent in the Concord Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married Lydia Williams, daughter of Ira Williams, and both are now long since deceased.

Charles Pierson Keeler, son of Rev. S. C. and Lydia (Williams) Keeler, was born in Milford, Connecticut, August 29, 1860. The profession of his father necessitating frequent changes of residence, his education was received in Brooklyn, New York, and as a young man he came to Attleboro, Massachusetts, where he entered the employ of Smith & Crosby. He was later identified with the firm of J. F. Sturdy & Sons, where he learned the manufacture of jewelry. In 1894, fourteen years after coming to Attleboro, Charles Pierson Keeler, in association with Arthur A. McRae, formed the firm of McRae & Keeler, and began

the manufacture of jewelry. This enterprise prospered largely, and throughout the intervening period Charles Pierson Keeler remained at the head of the organization until his death, which occurred on March 10, 1921. Mr. Keeler was a very prominent citizen of Attleboro, a director of the First National Bank of this city, and a member of its finance committee. During the World War he delegated the responsibilities of the business largely to others in order to devote his time almost wholly to the home war activities of the period. He served on various boards and committees and was one of the leaders of the Liberty Loan drives, receiving from the United States Government a certificate in recognition of services rendered.

Charles Pierson Keeler married, in 1883, Ada G. Bullock, daughter of John Bullock of Attleboro, Massachusetts, and Mrs. Keeler still (1923) survives her husband.

Lawrence Pierson Keeler, son of Charles Pierson and Ada G. (Bullock) Keeler, was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, January 26, 1890. His education was begun in the public schools of his native city, and he was graduated from the Attleboro High School in the class of 1908. Thereafter followed a course at the Andover Preparatory School, and he entered Boston University Law School. He did not finish the course, however, but became associated with his father in the manufacture of jewelry, in which interest he has found his legal studies of the greatest value. Gaining a broad familiarity with the various departments of the business by the practical method of experience in different parts of the plant, Mr. Keeler fitted himself for executive responsibility, and upon the death of his father, in 1921, the firm was incorporated. The officers of this concern have since been Lawrence Pierson Keeler, president; Arthur A. McRae, treasurer; and Ada Keeler, secretary. The history of this business is one of steady advance from the beginning. Their first location was at No. 60 West street, and with the growth of the interest they were later obliged to secure adequate quarters, so removed to their present location at No. 61 Union street. There they occupy one entire floor, having 17,000 square feet of floor space, and employ nearly 200 people. They specialize on ladies jewelry and are counted as one of the oldest concerns in Attleboro continuing under one name. They are leaders in their special field and their product is distributed in all parts of the world. Mr. Keeler is interested further in the business activities of this city as a director of the Attleboro Investors. He is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce and politically supports the Republican party, although he has never accepted public honors. Fraternally he is identified with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a well-known member of the West Side Club of Attleboro, and a member and director of the Highland Country Club. He has for years been identi-



fied with religious advance as a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Keeler married, July 2, 1913, C. Grace Sherwood, of Connecticut, daughter of Rev. Richard O. Sherwood, of Connecticut, and Annie (Easton) Sherwood, of Newport, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Keeler are the parents of two children: Lawrence C., Jr., born June 7, 1918; and Robert Wayne, born May 17, 1920.

**JAMES E. WILLIAMS**, one of the well known residents of Bristol county, Massachusetts, since December 21, 1921, has been in Federal employ, as postmaster of North Dighton. Mr. Williams was only a little more than twenty-six years old at the time of his appointment and is probably the youngest postmaster in the township.

Born in Somerset, Massachusetts, August 15, 1895, James E. Williams is a son of John F., who was engaged in the iron business in Somerset, Massachusetts, and of Ellen (Hearn) Williams, who is now living in North Dighton. After receiving a careful preparatory education in the public school of Somerset, Mr. Williams became a student in the Bristol County Business School, and later completed his preparations for active life by taking a course in Clark's Business College. Upon the completion of his training in the latter institution, he found his first employment with the Mt. Hope Finishing Company, of North Dighton, Massachusetts, which position he held for about one year. At the end of that time he became traffic manager in the employ of the same concern and until the entrance of the United States into the World War, he continued to efficiently discharge the duties of that position. Immediately after the entrance of the United States into the World War, he enlisted in the United States Army Aviation Service as a private, and was sent to France, where he remained in active service from October 12, 1917, to July 2, 1919, as a member of the 56th Aerial Squadron. At the end of that time he was honorably discharged with the rank of corporal. Upon his return to civilian life he renewed his connection with the Mt. Hope Finishing Company, where he remained for a period of ten months. At the end of that time, December 21, 1921, he received his appointment as postmaster of North Dighton, and since that time he has been carefully and efficiently taking care of that part of Uncle Sam's postal service. He is giving the people of North Dighton a vigorous and efficient local service and has made many friends in that city. Politically he gives his support to the principles and candidates of the Republican party, and his religious affiliation is with St. Joseph's Church, of North Dighton. James E. Williams is unmarried.

**WILLIAM H. BELL**, one of the foremost jewelry manufacturers of the great jewelry center of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, has been active in this general line of industrial advance throughout his entire career. A native of the State of Connecticut,

Mr. Bell is the son of Edward Thomas Bell, who was born in England, of Scotch parentage and came to this country when a youth, living for a while in New York and finally settling in Waterbury, Connecticut. He was one of the old time boot and shoemakers, who preceded the day of machinery for the manufacture of boots and shoes. He moved his family to Woodbury, Connecticut, when William Bell was a child, where he followed his trade until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he enlisted in Company E of the 6th Connecticut Infantry and served for about eighteen months when he received honorable discharge. He reenlisted in Company I, 19th Regiment of 2nd Connecticut Heavy Artillery, where he served until his death which occurred in a United States hospital located at Martinsburg, West Virginia, where he had been taken to recover from illness. In Cothren's "History of Ancient Woodbury," he is spoken of as an excellent soldier who fought bravely in the battles of Cold Harbor, Wilson's Creek, Newbern, and many other engagements, and he attained the rank of sergeant and was cited for valorous conduct in service. The mother, Julia M. (Sculler) Bell, was also born in England, and survived her husband for many years, passing away in 1909.

William H. Bell was born in Waterbury, Connecticut, January 9, 1857. His education was received in the public schools of Woodbury, Connecticut. As a youth he became active in agriculture, which he followed until about twenty years of age. He then studied for one year at Yale Business College, New Haven, then coming to North Attleboro, Mr. Bell entered the employ of the Mason, Draper Company in the capacity of bookkeeper and remained for about six years. He then went on the road as traveling salesman for B. S. Freeman & Company, a leading jewelry manufacturer of that day, following this line of activity for three and a half years. Then in association with a Mr. J. L. Cobb, Mr. Bell entered business for himself as a manufacturing jeweler, locating at Attleboro Falls, where the Briard Mill now stands. At the end of three years Mr. Bell bought out his partner's interest and has since continued independently under his own name, developing a successful business. In the year 1908 he removed to his present location in the locality known as Robinsonville, in North Attleboro, where he occupies one entire floor of about 6,500 square feet of floor space. He manufactures, almost wholly, gold filled chains and the special product of this concern has a high standing among the wholesale jewelry trade. Employing about forty people, he does a conservative, substantial and prosperous business and his products go to all parts of the United States, also reaching very considerable export trade.

Mr. Bell is a director of the Attleboro Trust Company, of which he serves on the trust committee, and in all branches of community and welfare advance he has been a leading figure. For three years he served as president of the North Attleboro Board of Trade and was vice-president of that body for

a number of years. Before the city government came in force he served as chairman of the Board of Selectmen for four years, and for six years was active as a member and chairman of the school committee, also as a member of the town finance committee. A Republican by political affiliation and for many years a worker in the ranks of the party, he has during recent years served as chairman of the Republican town committee. During the World War he was very active in all home endeavors in support of the American Expeditionary Forces, serving as a director of the Red Cross work and a member of the advisory board. He has been very prominent in trade organizations, especially in the New England Manufacturing Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association. In fact there are few interests of the community or of the industry in which Mr. Bell is engaged that have not at one time or another felt the influence of his constructive and progressive endeavors. He attends the Congregational church of Attleboro Falls.

Mr. Bell married, May 5, 1890, Eliza E. Briggs, of Rhode Island, daughter of Daniel F. and Rhoda Westcott Briggs, her father being a well known manufacturing jeweler. Mr. and Mrs. Bell are the parents of three children: Florence B., now the wife of Henry M. Merrill, of Arlington, Massachusetts; Hollis Westcott, who is associated with his father in business; Randolph Everett Bell who is vice-president of the A. S. Ingraham Company, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, manufacturing jewelers and dealers in chemicals and supplies for the jewelry and kindred trades. Both of the sons served in the World War and were commissioned second lieutenants.

**EDWARD W. SHEA**—As skilled mechanics, there are few in Bristol county who are the peers of Edward W. Shea, who is an expert in marine and general stationary engine repair work, as well as the usual automobile repair service. For the past fifteen years his shop and garage has been located at 179 Central street, in Fall River. Mr. Shea is of Irish parentage, his father, Dennis M. Shea, having been born in County Cork, Ireland, in 1833. Dennis M. Shea came to this country as a young man and throughout the entire period of his active career was on the sea, a marine captain during all the later years. He died in 1915.

Edward W. Shea, son of Dennis M. and Catherine (Crowley) Shea, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, October 2, 1868, and received a practical education in the public schools of that city. From childhood he had been interested in machinery and his father's position as sea captain had early interested him in marine engines. When his school training was completed, he at once apprenticed himself to a machinist, giving three years to the mastering of his trade. At the end of that time he identified himself with Reed & Creighton, with whom he remained for seven years. In 1896, however, he decided to engage in business for himself. He formed a partnership with his brother, Henry

M., under the firm name of Shea Brothers, and engaged in general machine work. The brothers successfully continued as partners until 1917, when Edward William purchased the interests of his brother. Since that time he has conducted the business, which has steadily grown, alone, and his shop on Central street is well known as a place where expert workmanship can always be secured. Besides marine and stationary engine repairs, he does a vast amount of cylinder grinding, crankshaft turning, and general automobile repair work, including the shrinking of steel ring gears on old flywheels. During the fifteen years in which Mr. Shea has been given expert mechanical service in the Central street shop and garage, he has established a reputation which steadily brings new patronage. At the present time, 1923, the volume of work which is regularly done requires the services of ten men all the year round. Mr. Shea is a man of sound business principles as well as a man of mechanical genius, and prompt and courteous attention are included in his excellent business policies.

Politically he casts his vote independently. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and has always been deeply interested in the advance of the public welfare of the community in which he lives. Fraternally he is affiliated with Lodge No. 18, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and his religious affiliation is with St. May's Catholic Church.

Edward William Shea married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, 1894, Margaret J. Newman, and they are the parents of five sons: Edward M., Robert R. and Vincent T., who are associated with their father in business; Charles F., and Leonard.

**VERNON LINCOLN FAULKNER**, during the past five years, has been identified with the Richard Borden Manufacturing Company, which for the past year (1923) he has been serving as superintendent. Mr. Faulkner is a descendant on his mother's side of the Lincoln family, who were among the early settlers of Taunton, Massachusetts. On his father's side he is a descendant of George Faulkner, who was a shipbuilder in Greenport, Long Island, during the early part of the nineteenth century. George A. Faulkner, a son of George Faulkner, was a follower of the sea, and became a sea captain. He married Fanny Sisson, and their son, Walter Irving Faulkner, was born in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, on May 15, 1878. He was educated in the common schools and high school, and after completing his studies he found employment as a railroad agent on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railway, and after serving in this capacity for about a year, was transferred to Fall River, where he has remained until the present time. Mr. Faulkner was married, in Taunton, to Mary Louise Lincoln, daughter of Reuben T. and Elizabeth Tupper (Hadley) Lincoln. The Lincoln family were among the first settlers of Taunton, and Mrs. Lincoln is still living there. Mr. and Mrs. Faulk-



ner were the parents of two children: Vernon Lincoln, of whom further; and George Chilton, who is at home.

Vernon Lincoln Faulkner was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, on March 25, 1898, and attended the public schools of Fall River. After completing his courses there, he became a student in the Durfee Textile School, where he received his technical training, and then secured a position as general helper in the Merchant's Mill. He remained in that position for about nine months, when he became identified with the Richard Borden Manufacturing Company as assistant superintendent, and in 1923 was made superintendent of the plant. He is now (1923) only twenty-five years of age, and has the distinction of being the youngest superintendent in Fall River. Politically Mr. Faulkner gives his support to the Republican party, and his religious affiliation is with the Union Methodist Church.

Mr. Faulkner married, on November 24, 1919, Cora Irene Tache. Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner have no children.

**THOMAS H. CASWELL**—A practical man in an eminently practical position, Thomas H. Caswell of Taunton, Massachusetts, is filling responsibilities of an exacting nature as general superintendent of the plant of the Taunton Knitting Company. Coming into this organization as a lad, he has risen through the various grades of responsibility to his present position, and as one of the younger men in the industrial world of Taunton is considered a noteworthy figure. Mr. Caswell is a son of Charles B. Caswell, who was born in Taunton, and acted as superintendent of the Sweets Box Shop until his death, which occurred in 1911. The mother, Alice H. (Round) Caswell, was born at Norton and also died in 1911.

Thomas H. Caswell was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, February 14, 1894. His education was begun in the local public schools and he is a graduate of the Norton High School, class of 1912. He later took a one year's course at Brown University at Providence, Rhode Island. He then entered the world of men and affairs, but has since added materially to his educational advantages through several extension courses taken by correspondence. Mr. Caswell entered the employ of the Taunton Knitting Company as a youth and learned the business by the method of experience, serving in the various departments of the plant, and gaining practical and comprehensive knowledge of their operations at first hand. He has risen step by step in the employ of the concern, and in February, 1919, was made general superintendent of the entire plant, succeeding F. C. Rickert. He has supervision over 125 employees, and his success in handling production is perhaps the best appraisal of his ability and fitness for the position. During the years of his connection with the Taunton Knitting Company Mr. Caswell has acquired a financial interest in the corporation of which he is now a director. He is deeply interested in all that pertains to the general

advance, and during the World War was a member of the Merchant Marine. Fraternally he is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and his religious affiliation is with the Broadway Congregational Church.

Mr. Caswell married, in 1918, Helen G. Hathaway of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Townsend) Hathaway.

**MICHAEL O. DRISCOLL**, of Taunton, Massachusetts, son of James and Elizabeth (Davis) Driscoll, was born in Nova Scotia, one of the maritime provinces of Canada, February 1, 1877, his parents also born in Nova Scotia, his father a farmer and yet living. The lad, Michael O., was educated in the public schools, then became his father's farm assistant, and until 1910 continued a farmer. In that year he came to Taunton, Massachusetts, and purchased the business established in 1907 known as the Odams Dye House. The business, located at No. 38 Cohannet street, has been brought up to a condition of prosperity, and no dyeing and cleaning house in Taunton enjoys higher reputation or is better patronized. On January 1, 1923, Mr. Driscoll incorporated the business. Mr. Driscoll is a member of the Roman Catholic church, and Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Driscoll married, August 1, 1905, Pearl Frederic, daughter of Freeman and Adelia (Walton) Frederic, both born in Nova Scotia, her father living. Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll are the parents of four children: William, born in 1906; James, born in 1908; Walter, born in 1912; and Ethel, born in 1913.

**LEON M. FLANDERS**—Prominent in the manufacture of jewelry in Attleboro, Massachusetts, Leon M. Flanders is extensively known to the trade as the president and treasurer of the L. M. Flanders Company, one of the most important manufacturers of beauty pins in the East, this branch of jewelry being their specialty. Mr. Flanders is a grandson of Samuel Flanders, who for many years was the keeper of the Gay Head Lighthouse on the extreme end of Martha's Vineyard Island. Samuel H. Flanders, his son, and father of the subject of this sketch, was born at Martha's Vineyard and is now manager of the Bradstreet Company's office at Hartford, Connecticut. The mother, Lillian N. (Hammatt) Flanders, is a native of the State of Massachusetts.

Leon M. Flanders was born at Martha's Vineyard, November 22, 1887. The family living in the West for a time, his education was begun in the public schools of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and upon their return East he entered the English High School of Providence, Rhode Island, from which he was graduated in the class of 1906. After completing his studies, Mr. Flanders entered the employ of the Bradstreet Company as their Providence representative, also covering the Attleboro district, and was active in this connection for about six

years. He was then associated with the Allison Manufacturing Company, manufacturing jewelers of Attleboro, for about six months, after which he associated himself with the Standard Button Company, also of Attleboro. In this connection Mr. Flanders filled various positions up to secretary of the corporation, and he remained with this concern until August 2, 1920, when he bought the business theretofore conducted by the F. W. Weaver Company. This he has since carried forward under his own name, following the same general line of advance as the Weaver concern had carried on, this being the manufacture of a general line of jewelry. Occupying one spacious floor at No. 31 Union street, Attleboro, Mr. Flanders manufactures jewelry for ladies and men, making a specialty of beauty pins. He employs about twenty-five people and his products are distributed in all parts of the United States and Canada. On July 5, 1922, the business was incorporated under the present firm name of the L. M. Flanders Company, Mr. Flanders becoming president and treasurer. He is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce and a Republican by political affiliation, although never an office seeker. His leisure interests are those of the outdoor world and he is a member of the Highland Country Club. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Flanders married, June 20, 1909, Elizabeth B. Passmore of East Providence, Rhode Island, daughter of Alonzo and Jennie P. (Johnson) Passmore. Mrs. Flanders' maternal ancestor was John Coggeshall, the first governor of Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Flanders have one son: Leon M., Jr., born November 7, 1918.

**JAMES B. and JOHN E. KIERNAN**, sons of Bernard E. and Mary A. Kiernan, both lifelong residents of Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1917 bought the Perry Automobile Company, Inc., and as a corporation they are building up a good business in general repair work, and as dealers, a full line of accessories. They have a "To Hire" department, with quarters for winter storage of automobiles, and keep their garage open day and night. They are the largest company of their kind in Taunton, and are liberally patronized.

James B. Kiernan, eldest son of Bernard E. and Mary A. Kiernan, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, January 15, 1876, and educated in the public schools. After school years were over, he was until 1917 employed in the street railway business as dispatcher, then, in association with his brother, John E. Kiernan, bought the Perry Automobile Company, Inc., of which he is president. Mr. Kiernan is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Knights of Columbus; and attends St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

John E. Kiernan, younger son of Bernard E. and Mary A. Kiernan, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, June 14, 1884, and there educated in the public schools. He spent the earlier years of his business life in the mercantile business, then, in

1917, joined with his brother, James B. Kiernan, in the purchase of the Perry Automobile Company, Inc., which he is secretary and treasurer. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus, attending with his family St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

John E. Kiernan married, in 1918, Emma F. Hallahan, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of William and Sarah Hallahan. Mr. and Mrs. Kiernan are the parents of two children: Mary E., born in 1919; and John E. (2), born in 1922.

**ARDOIN E. CASGRAIN**—As manager of the North Attleboro Motor Company of North Attleboro, Ardoin E. Casgrain is in charge of an automobile sales and service concern which averages a sale of eighty cars a month. He is enterprising and able and under his management the volume of sales is rapidly growing, as is also the patronage of the service department.

Mr. Casgrain is a son of Louis Casgrain, a man of considerable inventive ability, who died in 1921, and of Zelia (Godder) Casgrain, who is now (1923) living in Beverly, Massachusetts. Born in Winchester, Massachusetts, February 21, 1897, Ardoin E. Casgrain received his education in the public schools of Beverly, Massachusetts, graduating from the Beverly High School with the class of 1916. Meantime, in December, 1916, Mr. Casgrain had entered in the United States Army as a member of the National Guard for service on the Mexican border. When the United States entered the World War in 1917 he was transferred to the 101st Field Artillery, and with that unit he went to the front-line trenches in France as a corporal, in February, 1918. In June, 1918, having returned to this country, he entered West Point Military Academy as a student, and there he remained until October, 1919, at which time unforeseen circumstances made it necessary that he should return to civilian life. In December of the same year he found employment as a salesman, and during the next three years was at various times in the employ of the Overland dealers, a company dealing in the Cadillac automobile, and a company handling Ford cars and tractors. After three years of valuable experience in selling cars for these concerns he took over the management of the North Attleboro Motor Company of North Attleboro. He has demonstrated his ability as an executive and has built up a most prosperous sales and service concern. He averages as many as eighty cars a month on the sales list, and supplies each month a very large and increasing number of patrons who desire service both for the Ford cars and for other makes. Politically Mr. Casgrain gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Republican party, but he is not one to either seek or desire public office. Fraternally he is affiliated with Liberty Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Beverly, Massachusetts; Amity Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Beverly; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the



Mystic Shrine, of Providence. He is also a member of the North Attleboro Board of Trade. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church. Mr. Casgrain is well known and highly esteemed among a large group of his business associates, as well as among his many personal friends.

On August 15, 1919, at Beverly, Massachusetts, Ardoin E. Casgrain married Marion Williams, daughter of Joseph Williams, an engineer, who is now (1923) living, and of Mary Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Casgrain are the parents of one child, Norman, who was born August 21, 1920.

**JAMES F. O'BRIEN**—A successful and widely known attorney of Fall River, Massachusetts, James F. O'Brien is a noteworthy figure in this city, and his constructive efforts along various lines of endeavor have done much for the public good. In his early life he was prominent in naval circles and throughout his professional career he has risen steadily, until he was made district attorney of Bristol county by the elections of 1922. Mr. O'Brien is a son of Edward and Mary (Doyle) O'Brien, both natives of Ireland, who came to the United States as children with their parents, both families settling in Fall River. Edward O'Brien was identified with the cotton textile industry of Fall River, and for many years was an overseer in the mills, passing away in 1899. The mother still (1923) survives.

James F. O'Brien was born at Fall River, January 5, 1878. His education was begun in the local public schools, and as a young lad of seventeen years he enlisted in the United States Navy. This was in June, 1895, and he was active for a time as an apprentice boy, and during this period took every educational course open to an enlisted man. He took the highest grades of any man in his class, passing by 495 out of 500. He served through the Santiago campaign of the Spanish-American War, and at its close received his honorable discharge. At that time he was given a four months' furlough with pay if he cared to reënlist at the end of the period. Mr. O'Brien served for five years as judge advocate of the Spanish-American War Veterans, and in his public life he has risen to an eminent position in the community. In 1922 he was a Democratic candidate for district attorney, receiving a large vote, which is considered a wonderful record, for he is the only man ever brought forward by the Democratic party as district attorney who has carried the city of Fall River. Both in individual effort and in his public service Mr. O'Brien is a progressive and forward-looking citizen, whose activities contribute in a definite way to the welfare and advance of the people: During the World War he served twenty-nine months as follows: chief gunner's mate, ensign, and lieutenant in transport service between America and France. Mr. O'Brien and his family are residents of Fall River.

**WILLIAM POTTER SHAW**—When a mere lad William P. Shaw became a cotton mill worker,

a form of industrial activity with which he has since been continuously identified, being now superintendent of the Kerr Mill of the American Thread Company, with about 1,500 men under his direction. He is a native son of Fall River, born of English parents, Joseph and Mary (Clarkson) Shaw. They were both born in Stockport, England, and early in life came to Fall River, Massachusetts, where both died, Joseph Shaw having for several years been superintendent of the Flint Mill, Fall River, the family home being in what was known as the Flint section of Fall River, and in that section William P. Shaw was born.

William P. Shaw was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, May 4, 1874. He attended the public schools several years but in boyhood he began working in the machine shop of the Flint Mill, and there remained seven years, advancing through several promotions in the carding room. His next position was with the Kerr Mill of the American Thread Company in 1895, and with that corporation he has been identified during the twenty-eight years that have since elapsed. He was twenty-one years of age when he entered the Kerr Mill as third hand in the carding room, and as the years passed he advanced in rank, being made assistant superintendent in 1901 and not long afterward he was appointed to his present position, superintendent. He is thoroughly equipped for the work he is called upon to perform, and possesses the entire confidence of the officials of the company and of the 1,500 men who, during working hours, are under his direction. During the World War period the Kerr Mill did a great deal of government work, Mr. Shaw being especially concerned and active in the manufacture of yarn used in aeroplane manufacture.

In politics Mr. Shaw is a Republican, and in religious faith is an Episcopalian and a member of St. Mark's Church, Fall River, a parish that had its beginning at a service held in the home of his parents. He is a member of Fall River Chamber of Commerce and a man highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends.

On February 20, 1900, at Fall River, William P. Shaw married Ellen Cook, born in England, daughter of Richard H. and Betty (Dean) Cook. Mr. and Mrs. Shaw are the parents of four children: Richard Hartley, born May 23, 1902, a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, now with the Illinois Central railroad; Edwin Burton, born June 5, 1905, now an employee of the Kerr Mill; James Malcolm, born January 3, 1907, now a senior at B. M. C. Durfee High School; Margaret Estell, born May 30, 1908, a student at B. M. C. Durfee High School.

**LAWRENCE J. MUNISE**—In automobile circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, the name of Lawrence J. Munise is widely known, and his activities as a partner in the business known under the title of the D. & M. Garage are contributing in a marked degree to the progress of the community and the welfare and convenience of the motoring public.

A practical man, with previous experience in the business world along various lines, Mr. Munise is progressive in spirit and his activities are broadly useful. He is a son of Joseph and Mary (Ferrier) Munise, both natives of East Taunton, Massachusetts, and both living, the father a retired mill worker.

Lawrence J. Munise was born in the Azores Islands, December 11, 1889, but his education was received in the public schools of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts. He was first employed in farming and followed this line of activity for one year. The following year was spent as a clerk in a grocery store, then for two years he was identified with the Chandler Oil Cloth Company. Mr. Munise then entered the business world in an independent way, opening a grocery store in East Taunton, Massachusetts, which he conducted for about two years with excellent success. He then entered the employ of the Leonard & Baker Stove Company, where he continued for two years, thereafter entering in the employ of the New Process Drill Company, and a further period of two years was spent in the employ of the General Electric Company in Taunton, Massachusetts. This experience in mechanics Mr. Munise has found of the greatest value to him in his present interest, in which he has been active since the year 1921. In that time he formed a partnership with Manuel A. Dupont, opening a garage in East Taunton, Massachusetts, where they have since developed a largely progressive and constantly growing business under the name of D. & M. Garage. They maintain a thoroughly up-to-date equipment, and automobile owners of this section have come to know that they can depend upon these progressive men for the most efficient and courteous service. Both men being practical business executives, the success of the enterprise has been steadily increasing and from the very first was assured. Mr. Munise has few interests outside of this business, but keeps in touch with the general movements of the times. In political affairs he is an Independent, and serves as a reserve member of the Taunton Police Department. He is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Family.

Lawrence J. Munise married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, September 21, 1914, Annie E. Guillet, daughter of Nazare and Elise (D'Maour) Guillet, both natives of Taunton, Massachusetts. The father, who was active in the textile industry during his lifetime, died in the year 1913, but the mother is still (1923) living.

**RICHARD E. MURRAY**—When a young man James Edward Murray, born in 1850, in Waterford, a seaport and capital of County Waterford, Ireland, came to the United States and made a home for himself at Fall River, Massachusetts. There his son, Richard E. Murray, was born and has since resided, being now rated a cloth designer of ability, well known in the city through his long connection with the Border City Mill, of which he has recently been

made superintendent. James Edward Murray was a cotton mill worker of Fall River, a loom fixer, employed in the Mechanics Mill. He married Mary Wall, also born in Waterford, Ireland, in 1850, died at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1918.

Richard E. Murray, son of James Edward and Mary (Wall) Murray, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, November 18, 1884. He attended the public schools until thirteen years of age, then became a worker in the Mechanics Mill, there remaining until the year 1906, becoming a skilled weaver. In 1906 he transferred his services to the Border City Mills, where he has since been continuously employed, his quarter of a century as a textile mill worker having been spent in these two mills, the latter being one of Fall River's largest cotton mills.

Mr. Murray began with the Border City Mill as second hand in the weaving department and has been advanced in rank several times. In 1909 he was made overseer in the weaving department, and in 1919 assistant superintendent, his present position, superintendent, having been awarded him in 1920. In addition, he is a skillful designer, and responsible for the patterns woven by the Border City Mill, although most mills employ a man especially for that department. His skill both as weaver and designer of cloth patterns has been fully recognized, and he stands high in the regard of the officials of the company, while he is held in no less esteem by his fellow mill workers. Mr. Murray is a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus, and a member of the Roman Catholic church.

He married, October 16, 1906, at Fall River, Agnes B. McGuire, born in that city, daughter of Bernard and Catherine McGuire. Mr. and Mrs. Murray are the parents of four children: Frances, born in 1907, now a student in high school; Catherine, born in 1909; James, born in 1913; Richard E., Jr., born in 1920.

**FRANK S. HEMINGWAY**—In the textile industry in Taunton, Massachusetts, Frank S. Hemingway is a noteworthy figure, standing at the head of production in the Taunton River Mills in the capacity of superintendent. A practical man of proven ability, trained for his work and broadly experienced in it, Mr. Hemingway's activities are contributing in a marked degree to the advance of this organization, and to the general progress of the people. A native of the State of New Jersey, he is a son of Samuel and Sarah (Clegg) Hemingway, who were both born in Paterson, New Jersey, and both died in 1902. The father was a veteran of the Civil War, and by occupation a successful contractor and builder.

Frank S. Hemingway was born in the city of Paterson, New Jersey, March 10, 1876. His early education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, and he was graduated from the Paterson High School in the class of 1895. Thereafter taking a special course in the technology of textile



design, he began his career as a weaver in the mills of D. G. Dery, at Paterson. He rose to the position of foreman in this plant, and after fifteen years in the Paterson plant, was transferred to the various mills of the same concern at, successively, Cataqua, Pennsylvania; Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania; Allentown, Pennsylvania; and Taunton, Massachusetts. The Taunton River Mills, of which Mr. Hemingway has since been superintendent, is a branch plant of the D. G. Dery Corporation, which concern controls forty-four other mills in the United States. This great company, which is the outgrowth of the original Dery interests at Paterson, was organized in 1905 for the purpose of manufacturing broad silks. The Taunton plant produces nothing less than thirty-six inches in width, and with two large buildings, aggregating 70,000 square feet of floor space, they have about two hundred and seventy employees and are doing an enormous business. Mr. Hemingway's position as superintendent is one of large responsibility, but his efficiency and administrative ability have carried him to marked success in his chosen field, and he is numbered among the able executives of Bristol county.

During the World War Mr. Hemingway served as a traveling superintendent, in the capacity of an instructor, having charge of eight mills. He has few interests outside of his work, and although giving cordial aid and support to all public movements of a progressive nature, he has always consistently declined the honors and emoluments of public office. Fraternally he is identified with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and his religious connection is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Hemingway married, in 1895, Grace P. Miller, of East Bangor, Pennsylvania, daughter of James and Amanda Miller, and a member of an old family of that region. Mr. and Mrs. Hemingway are the parents of eight children: Mattie, wife of William J. Wyman; Frank S., Jr., who died in 1915; Hazel; Joseph J.; Charles W.; George; Jack; and Virginia. The family residence is at No. 295 Tremont street, Taunton, and the young people are prominent in social circles in this city.

**EDWARD O. HOBDAY**, manager of the Crocker-Hobday Rubber Company of Taunton, Massachusetts, was born in Toronto, Canada, June 18, 1892, son of Arthur E. and Sarah (Kitley) Hobday of that city. Not long afterward, the family came to the United States, settling in the State of Rhode Island, where Edward O. Hobday attended the public school. He was variously employed in different localities until the entrance of the United States into the World War, he then serving in the United States army, 310th Regiment, 78th Division. After his return from the army, he spent two and a half years at Fitchburg, and on November 12, 1921, began business at No. 50 Taunton Green, as manager of the Crocker-Hobday Rubber Company, wholesale and retail rubber goods. The company has a finely-stocked, modernly-equipped store and

is prospering. Mr. Hobday is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with Aurora Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fitchburg, Massachusetts. He is a member of Taunton Post of the American Legion; is independent in politics; and a member of the Baptist church.

Edward O. Hobday married, May 28, 1919, at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, Mary S. Rathbun, daughter of Charles E. and Ella (Sweet) Rathbun. Mr. and Mrs. Hobday are the parents of two daughters: Thelma Ruth, born March 12, 1921; and Virginia Pearl, born May 12, 1922.

**ANDREW HANSON SMITH**—With a record of thirty years of training in the textile industry, Andrew Hanson Smith is an expert in his line of endeavor; but, having risen from the ranks to the office of overseer in his first position, he became too a student of men, and he handles and controls them with equal adeptness.

Mr. Smith was born April 14, 1877, in Adams, Berkshire county, Massachusetts, son of James and Lauretta (York) Smith, his parents both natives of Reba, Denmark, his mother born there in 1843, and still (1923) living in Adams, his father born in 1833, and coming to this country when twenty-three years of age. The latter was foreman in the paper mills in Adams, and Andrew Hanson was the sixth of seven children. He was educated in the public schools of Adams, and then had one year of training in textile work. He then entered the Berkshire Mills at Adams, as helper in the card room, and worked faithfully and industriously for eighteen years with this firm, rising through various positions until he was overseer of the card room. From here he went to the Nonquitt Mill at New Bedford as overseer, and remained there for ten years. In 1921 he entered the employ of the Parker Mills, having come to Fall River in that year, and became superintendent of plants A and B, having about 900 employees under him, this firm manufacturing fine cotton cloths. Mr. Smith takes interest in the civic life of Fall River, and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is a Republican in politics, is a member of the Episcopal church, and fraternally is a member of the Masonic order, and of the New England Order of Protection.

Andrew H. Smith married, in 1900, in Adams, Massachusetts, Sophia B. Schroeder, daughter of James and Wilemenia Schroeder, of that place. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are the parents of two children: Beatrice L., born in 1901; and Andrew C., born in 1903, a pupil in the School of Accountancy, Boston, Massachusetts.

**MARCUS C. RALSTON**—Throughout the entire period of his active career Marcus C. Ralston has been identified with the business concern of which he is now part owner but which still operates under its original name, William H. Riley & Sons, dealers in coal and wood. The concern was established in 1870 by William H. Riley and was first located on East street near the Branch railroad. It



grew steadily and its original quarters were frequently enlarged, but by 1914 the business had entirely outgrown the old plant and was removed to its present location at No. 35 Chestnut street, where the plant has an overhead capacity of 2,000 tons net, and a ground capacity of 4,000 tons net. The main office is located at No. 78½ North Washington street. In 1920 the concern was purchased by Charles W. Ralston and his two sons, Marcus C. and Elmer G., and the extensive teaming business which the father, Charles M. Ralston, had built up was added to the enterprise. This brought to the business a very large supply of trucks and other conveniences, and sixteen employees are now required to meet the demands of the large and steadily growing business. The concern, still known by the old name of William H. Riley & Sons, is the largest of its kind in North Attleboro, and operates through the city and in a section of the county surrounding the city within a radius of ten miles. At the present time (1923) it is a co-partnership, but plans are now being made to incorporate within a short time.

Charles M. Ralston is a native of Nova Scotia, who removed to North Attleboro many years ago and engaged in the bakery business on North Washington street, of that city. After sixteen years of successful operation in that line of activity he became the owner of a prosperous teaming business, which he continued to conduct until 1920, when he purchased the William H. Riley & Sons concern and united his teaming enterprise with the newly purchased coal business. He married Florence A. Riley of North Attleboro, and they are the parents of Marcus C., and Elmer G., both of whom are co-partners with Mr. Ralston in the interests of the William H. Riley & Son concern.

Marcus C. Ralston, son of Charles M. and Florence A. (Riley) Ralston, was born in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, July 3, 1900. After receiving a careful elementary education in the public schools of his native city he entered the Munson Preparatory School, and upon the completion of his studies there he further prepared for an active business career by taking a course in the Bryant & Stratton Business College at Providence, Rhode Island. Immediately upon the completion of his course in the latter institution he became identified with the coal business of William H. Riley & Sons, and that connection has been maintained to the present time. In 1920 he, with his father and his brother, became a part owner of the business. His time and energy are now devoted to the advancement of the interests of that concern. Politically Mr. Ralston gives his support to the principles and candidates of the Republican party. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Ralston has a host of friends in North Attleboro, and among his business associates he is known as an able and reliable business man.

On June 8, 1922, Marcus C. Ralston married Marion A. Kingsley of Kingston, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Ralston have no children.

**MICHAEL PEDRO**, son of Frank and Matilda (Anjos) Pedro, was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, April 13, 1891, his parents natives of St. Michaels, Azores Islands, who settled at New Bedford. The lad, Michael Pedro, was educated in the public schools of New Bedford, finishing with high school, class of 1910, at the Mosher Preparatory School in that city, and at Boston University Law School, L.L.B., class of 1914. He was admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1913 but prior to his graduation, and in 1914 he began practice at Fall River. For six years he continued in general practice of law, but in 1920 he organized the Textile Realty Company for the express purpose of buying and selling textile properties, Mr. Pedro being treasurer of the company, and Samuel Stone of New Bedford, president. The offices of the company are at No. 109 South Main street, Fall River, and there Mr. Pedro devotes most of his time to company interests.

During the World War period, 1917-1918, Mr. Pedro served as legal adviser to Draft Board No. 3, under the Selective Service Act, and in other ways aided his country's cause. He is a Republican in politics, a Catholic in religion, and a member of the City, County, State and American Bar associations. His college fraternity is Gamma Eta Gamma. Mr. Pedro is a rising young man and has won excellent standing in Fall River both as a lawyer and as a business man.

**DANIEL JOSEPH SULLIVAN**—One of the best known names in construction circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is that of Daniel Joseph Sullivan, who was born in Ireland, but has been a resident of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, for forty-one years. A man of genial spirit and high ideals, Mr. Sullivan has given to his activities as a building contractor the qualities which would have won success in any field, and with the growth and development of this city and its environs he has prospered largely. He is a son of John and Mary (Fitzgerald) Sullivan, both members of old and honored Irish families, his father a farmer and landowner in the old country.

Daniel Joseph Sullivan was born in Skull, County Cork, Ireland, August 15, 1863. He received his education by private tuition in his own home in Ireland, and at the age of eighteen years went to Dublin, where he served an apprenticeship to his chosen trade of carpenter, in the employ of the firm of the J. L. Taylor Company. Interested from childhood in every branch of constructive work, he developed a genius for this line of endeavor, and was successful from the first. Coming to the United States in the year 1882, Mr. Sullivan settled at once in Taunton, Massachusetts, and, following his trade as a journeyman for a number of years, eventually established his own business on April 1, 1891. Since that date he has gone forward successfully and without interruption. As many as 700 structures stand to his credit in and about Taunton, dwelling houses, churches, industrial





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plants, school buildings, etc. His work shows the hand of the expert, and he attends to the smallest commission with the same promptness and skill with which he carries out large contracts. He employs skilled workmen, and is equipped to do any work in his general field. His business dealings are governed by the strictest integrity, and in every way he is considered one of the most estimable men of Taunton. He became a naturalized citizen of the United States on February 23, 1895, and keeps in touch with all advance. He is a member of the Taunton Contractors' Association, and fraternally is well known, being identified with the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, the American Order of Foresters and St. Mary's Holy Name Society, his religious affiliation being with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Daniel J. Sullivan married, June 30, 1890, in St. Mary's Church of Taunton, Catherine Fahey, who was born at Sligo, Ireland, August 28, 1873, and is a daughter of John and Mary Fahey. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan are the parents of thirteen children, all living: 1. John Lawrence, born in the year 1891, a graduate of Taunton Grammar School, La Salle Academy of Providence, Rhode Island, and St. John's Preparatory School of Danvers, Massachusetts, who served in the World War with Company C, 42nd Infantry, at Camp Merritt, New Jersey, receiving an honorable discharge; has been connected with his father's business as general manager for the past fourteen years. 2. Daniel J., Jr., born August 28, 1893, a graduate of the local grammar schools and Bristol County Business College; was foreman in his father's employ for twelve years, served in the United States Navy from 1911-15 on the United States Steamship, "Louisiana," taking part in the occupation of Vera Cruz in August, 1914; was overseas in the World War with Company B, 309th Engineers, 84th Division, principally on the Western Front, 1917-19, receiving an honorable discharge after both periods of service, and is now engaged in business in Cleveland, Ohio. 3. Michael Francis, born March 28, 1895, graduated from the local grammar schools, also a graduate of Bristol County Business College, who served in the World War at Camp Devens, unattached, and received a medical discharge in 1917; has for some years been identified with his father in business as carpenter foreman; is a member of the Catholic Total Abstinence and Athletic Society, the Knights of Columbus (Council No. 82), and the Holy Name Society. 4. Edward Dennis, born January 11, 1896; a graduate of St. Mary's Grammar and High schools, who served overseas in the World War with Company F, 302nd Infantry, 76th Division, American Expeditionary Forces, from September, 1917, until October, 1919, taking part in the Meuse-Argonne and other great offensives; received his honorable discharge as a member of the 80th Division; is now in his father's employ, and is a member of the Catholic Total Abstinence and Athletic Society; Council No. 82, Knights of Columbus; Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Holy Name So-

ciety. 5. William Charles, born February 11, 1898; was educated at St. Mary's Grammar School, and is now construction engineer for his father; a member of the Catholic Total Abstinence and Athletic Society, the Catholic Order of Foresters and the Holy Name Society. 6. James Coyle, born September 27, 1899; a graduate of St. Mary's Grammar and High Schools, also attended Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts; now associated with his father as general manager; a member of the Catholic Total Abstinence and Athletic Society; Council No. 82, Knights of Columbus, and the Holy Name Society; married, June 4, 1923, Irene Robert. 7. Stephen Thomas, born November 27, 1901; a graduate of St. Mary's Grammar School; attended the New Bedford Industrial School for a time; served in the United States Navy as a second class electrician from October 20, 1919, until November 27, 1922, and is a member of the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters. 8. Mary Agnes, born January 31, 1904. 9. Esther Frances, born March 25, 1906. 10. Alice Katherine, born April 6, 1908. 11. Rose Eileen, born April 8, 1910. 12. George Leo, born November 19, 1912. 13. Harry Joseph, born March 2, 1915. The younger children are still students.

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**HERBERT H. HEWITT**—A broadly noteworthy figure in the business life of Fall River, Massachusetts, and a leader in every phase of community advance, Herbert H. Hewitt is a successful man of the day as the head of the Maple Street Laundry of Fall River. A practical man, and meeting a daily need of the people in his field of endeavor, Mr. Hewitt is giving his best to the people in every way and is one of the highly esteemed citizens of Fall River. He is a son of Horace and Louise (Squire) Hewitt, both natives of Devonshire, England, where they were reared and married. They came to Fall River in the year 1880 and three years later the father died, leaving the mother as the sole support of herself and her only child, Herbert H. Meanwhile, in the year 1882, the father's health had so definitely broken that the mother secured work in the Maple Street Laundry, and following his death remained there permanently. After ten years of activity in this connection Mrs. Hewitt became forelady of the plant and was highly prized by the owners. The proprietor of the laundry, Albert Smith, lost his wife and soon after died, and having no heirs he left the plant to Mrs. Hewitt, to whom both he and his wife were very much attached. Mrs. Hewitt continued the business under her personal management and after her son Herbert became of an age to assist her, received him into the business. In 1910 they built the present handsome modern plant, one of the finest and most completely equipped in Bristol county, then the following year Mrs. Hewitt died. A worthy and courageous woman who lived out her life and fulfilled a useful part in the community, Mrs. Hewitt is remembered by many as a thoroughly charming and lovable woman.

Herbert H. Hewitt was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, April 28, 1881. His education was received in the local grammar schools and at the age of fourteen years he began driving a laundry wagon for the business which he now owns. He had been active for six years as a driver when his mother came into possession of the plant, and Mr. Hewitt then assumed a responsible position in the office. From that time on he was a definite factor in the management and progress of the business, and it was largely through his energy and business ability that the erection of the present modern building was made possible. Mr. Hewitt has always looked upon this work as one of the most important of the public service activities of the day and he has given to it the full constructive force of a capable and efficient personality. Taking care of the needs of the people in the most acceptable manner, and holding quality as the highest consideration, he has developed a very extensive and lucrative interest and holds a leading position in his chosen field in Bristol county. Mr. Hewitt takes a prominent part in every phase of community advance, although in public affairs he has never accepted official responsibility except that for one term he served as trustee for the Fall River Hospital. Fraternally he is a member of Mt. Hope Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; Fall River Lodge of Perfection; St. Lawrence Chapter, Princes of Jerusalem; St. Andrew's Chapter, Rose Croix; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association; a member of the Rotary Club, and the Fall River Country Club; also the Lannawansett Tennis Club. Mr. Hewitt's chief leisure interest is music, and, possessing a fine bass voice, he is a leading singer on many occasions in Fall River and is prominent in the musical activities of various organizations. He is a member of the Scottish Rite Quartet, the Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery Quartet, and the Schuman Quartet, and is bass soloist of the Methodist Episcopal church choir, in which his wife is soprano soloist. Both are members of this church.

Herbert H. Hewitt married, in May, 1908, Susie Baker Lincoln, daughter of James Edward Lincoln, superintendent and part owner of the Lincoln Paper Mill at North Dighton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt are the parents of one daughter, Louise Lincoln. The family residence is at No. 1005 Maple street, and Mrs. Hewitt is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution from her paternal line.

**WILLIAM RIDINGS**—Gifted with those qualities which count for success in any field of endeavor, and also with genial and broadly benevolent spirit which wins numberless friends, William Ridings has achieved large success in the field of under-

taking and embalming, one of the most exacting and important lines of professional effort, and one for which these qualities are especially required. Taking up his professional activities as a member of a long established organization in this field, Mr. Ridings has won his present prominence entirely through his own energy and merit, and is one of the best known as well as one of the most successful men of the day in his chosen line of activity. Mr. Ridings is a son of William and Elizabeth (Sutcliffe) Ridings, both natives of Bolton, Lancashire, England, who came to the United States in May, 1877, settling in Fall River, Massachusetts. William Ridings, the elder, was for many years employed in the Fall River Bleachery, but both parents are now deceased.

William Ridings, son of these parents, was born at Bolton, England, January 4, 1872. Only five years of age when he came to this country with his parents, he received his education in the public schools of Fall River, and at the age of sixteen years became a wage earner, entering the employ of James E. Winward, who was at that time a dealer in dry goods and carpets. This enterprise gradually changed in character and developed in scope, furniture being added to the store, and eventually also an undertaking parlor forming a part of the business. Entering the organization when it was still in its infancy, Mr. Ridings was influential in the growth and development of the interest, and in 1900 was taken in to the firm as a partner. When the furniture business began to be taken over as a branch activity of the department stores, Mr. Winward closed out his furniture stock and from the year 1899 gave his entire attention to undertaking and embalming. In the fall of that year he removed to the present location on Bank street, and there the interest was carried forward with large success under his management until his death, which occurred in December, 1917. During Mr. Winward's later years Mr. Ridings assumed more and more responsibility to relieve the older man of his burdens, and upon the death of Mr. Winward he became sole proprietor of this interest. In honor of his old employer and long esteemed associate, Mr. Ridings has retained the firm name of J. E. Winward & Company without change, and is still going forward along those lines of advance which gave Mr. Winward such a high position in the profession and made him universally honored and beloved. Mr. Ridings has attained a very prominent position in the profession and is intimately familiar with the constant advance in the field of undertaking and embalming. A man of progressive spirit and always alert to any phase of progress which might relate to his work, he has kept in the lead in his field, and is considered one of the foremost men of the day in his profession in Bristol county. Mr. Ridings is very prominent in Masonic circles, being a member of Mount Hope Lodge, also of Massasoit Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and past master of the former; a member of Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River

Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar, and past commander of the same; Fall River Lodge of Perfection; Samuel C. Lawrence Council, Princes of Jerusalem; St. Andrews Chapter, Rose Croix; and Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is past deputy of the thirtieth Masonic district, and in the year 1921 was junior grand warden of the grand lodge. He is a member of the Lions Club, and is identified with the Central Congregational Church, which he serves as a member of the executive council.

William Ridings married, October 8, 1902, Ethel Wordel of Fall River, daughter of Rodney D. and Lizzie T. (Lincoln) Wordel. Mr. Wordel was active for many years in the wholesale beef business in Fall River. On her mother's side Mrs. Ridings traces her ancestry back to the "Mayflower" Pilgrims. She is prominent in musical circles in Fall River, being an accomplished pianist, and is past president of the Fall River Music Club; also is a member of the Fall River Women's Club; is prominent in other noteworthy organizations, and a leader in social circles. Mr. and Mrs. Ridings reside at No. 328 French street, Fall River.

**EDWARD I. FANNON**—As an organizer, an administrator and an expert real estate and insurance man, Edward I. Fannon has been an active promoter of the economic prosperity of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, where he was born, December 16, 1896, son of William J. Fannon, who died March 8, 1917, and of Jennie E. (Toner) Fannon. After receiving a good practical education in the public schools of Taunton, he became a special student in Boston University, and he completed his preparation for an active career by a course in the College of Business Administration.

Mr. Fannon began his business life in the department store of L. E. Higgins, where he remained for a period of two years. He then made a change and entered the employ of the M. H. Skinner Company, which connection he maintained for four years. At the end of that time he left Taunton and went to Pawtucket, Rhode Island, where he took over the management of the two Rogan stores in that city and in Providence. He first engaged in business as a realtor in June, 1916, and until May, 1922, extensively engaged in real estate operations. In May, 1922, he founded the retail men's wear business known as Fannon's Toggery Shops, Inc. This business grew so rapidly that in December of the same year Mr. Fannon found it necessary to double the floor space of the Weir street store. This store has had a healthy growth until now it is recognized as one of the leading men's wear shops in New England. He has also been officially connected with various other enterprises. He was treasurer of the First Aeroplane Corporation in Taunton, and wrote the first insurance policy on aeroplanes that was ever written in Taunton. He also served as a member of the board of directors of several other corporations, and at the present

time is treasurer and manager of the Fannon's Toggery Shop, Inc., which are located at Nos. 21-23 Weir street, Taunton, Massachusetts. He is a member of the Taunton Board of Underwriters. Mr. Fannon is widely known as an expert appraiser of real estate values, and his capability as an organizer and as an executive has long been recognized. In addition to his many business interests he is also active in fraternal and club affairs. He is a member of Taunton Lodge, No. 180, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and of Taunton Council, No. 82, Knights of Columbus, in which organization he holds the fourth degree. He is past faithful comptroller of the William Stang Assembly, and is vice-president of St. Mary's Holy Name Society. He is also a member of the Segregansett Country Club, of the Young Men's Christian Association, of the Taunton Auto Club, Taunton Lions Club, and of various other organizations. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Fannon is unmarried.

**ALTON L. DEAN**, son of Erastus King and Angeline H. (Bliss) Dean (his father deceased), was born at Raynham, Massachusetts, August 1, 1877. He began his education in Raynham public schools, but later Taunton became his home and there he completed public school courses of study. In 1894 he established business at No. 60 Harrison street, under his own name, and for some years manufactured only metal name plates. Later to that line he added cabinet-work along certain lines, and pattern and model makers. He now has a large plant, and the products of same are shipped all over the United States. Mr. Dean founded and developed this business and is its sole owner. He is well known in Taunton, and is highly regarded as business man and citizen.

In 1898 Mr. Dean enlisted for service in the Spanish-American War, being assigned to duty with Battery F, 1st Regiment, Massachusetts Heavy Artillery. He is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Taunton; Chapter, Rose Croix; Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; the Order of the Eastern Star; Henry A. Williams Camp, Spanish War Veterans; and is a member of the Winthrop Street Baptist Church of Taunton.

Mr. Dean married, in Taunton, on April 10, 1901, Mabel Senior, born in England, daughter of John and Annie (Davies) Senior.

**CHARLES J. NICHOLS**—A prosperous and highly respected citizen of Taunton, Massachusetts, active in one of the useful lines of commercial endeavor, Charles J. Nichols is meeting the daily needs of the people as proprietor of a taxicab business, with offices in the Taunton Inn. Beginning life as a poor boy, Mr. Nichols has won his way step by step to his present success; and in his life from obscurity has commanded the esteem and admiration of the people. He is a son of James J. Nichols, who was born in Ireland and came to this country as a young man. He was a veteran of the



Civil War, having served with honor in defense of the Union, and throughout his active lifetime was engaged in business as a sand and gravel contractor. The mother, Mary E. (Corr) Nichols, was born in County Cavan, Ireland, and both parents died in the year 1902.

Charles J. Nichols was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, June 15, 1865. His education was received in the public schools, and with only this limited although practical foundation for his success, Mr. Nichols entered upon the activities of his career. Independent from the first, he began life as a butcher, first driving a cart, and afterwards opening a market on Whittenton street. He continued along this line of activity for a period of fourteen years and became more or less prominent in the civic affairs of Taunton, as well as in its business progress. He was elected a member of the Common Council from Ward Eight 1893-1894, and served in 1895-6 from the same ward as alderman. He was elected alderman from Ward Five in 1897, and served for a period of one year, these activities placing him in a leading position in municipal affairs. In the year 1897 he was made a deputy sheriff of Bristol county and the following year was made truant officer. Mr. Nichols discharged the duties of these exacting positions with such excellent judgment and with such evident sincerity of purpose that much good was done under his administration. In 1902 he was appointed probation officer of the First District Court, and in this widely responsible and deeply significant office he has now served for nearly twenty-two years. He has given to his duties in this connection far more than the mere routine attention as an officer, and under his care and oversight the delinquents placed in his charge have frequently been won back to broadly useful and entirely estimable lives. Within recent years Mr. Nichols has become financially interested in the taxicab business and also in garage interests. He is owner and proprietor of the Broadway Garage, located at No. 82 Broadway, and is proprietor of a thriving taxicab business with headquarters at the Taunton Inn. The responsibilities of these interests are largely delegated to those in his employ, as the activities of public offices largely command the time of Mr. Nichols, but in every phase of his connection with local and general progress he is always alert to the movement of the times, and appreciative of those principals of general advance which are perhaps most commonly expressed as the greatest good to the greatest number. He is prominent fraternally, being a member of Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Taunton Lodge, Catholic Order of Foresters, of which he is a charter member. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Nichols married, in 1893, Mary E. Walsh of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Harold and Mary E. (Heaver) Walsh. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols are the parents of four children: Charles J., born in 1895, a graduate of the high school; served in the

World War, and died October 1, 1918, at Brest, France; W. Martha, born in 1898, a graduate of the high school; Mary K., born in 1901, also a graduate of the high school; and Ruth A., born in 1907, now a student at high school.

**JOE LOCKWOOD**—In the field of construction in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, Mr. Lockwood holds a prominent position, his success in the world of contracting and building having placed him among the leading men in his chosen field in Bristol county. Mr. Lockwood is a son of John and Ellen (Andrews) Lockwood, both natives of Taunton, Massachusetts, the father a carpenter of this city for many years and a highly esteemed citizen. The father died in 1903, but the mother survived him for many years, passing away in 1919.

Joe Lockwood was born in England, January 8, 1868, his parents having lived in that country for a number of years. The family returned to America in his childhood and again settled in Taunton, Massachusetts, where he received a broad, practical education in the public schools of that city. His earliest industrial activity was as an employee in the Fall River mills, in which connection he remained for a period of seven years. He then entered the employ of E. Bassett, and was active in carpenter work for him and later for D. J. Sullivan. Spending about thirteen years in this general line of activity as a journeyman, Mr. Lockwood then entered business for himself in Taunton, Massachusetts, under his own name, establishing his headquarters at No. 16 McSoley avenue, where he is still located. He has always specialized in the building of houses, and many of the charming homes in Taunton, Massachusetts, and vicinity stand to his credit, forming a very practical and admirable contribution to the advance of the community and the welfare of the people. A number of large buildings are also his work, among the most noteworthy being the Jewish Synagogue, which is a handsome and impressive edifice, and the new Salvation Army building on Weir street. Building his success upon commercial integrity and ethical sincerity, Mr. Lockwood has become prominent in his chosen field of activity, and his position is one of distinction in the community. While he is a Republican supporter, he has never accepted public responsibilities of any kind, but gives his attention to every worthy movement. Fraternally Mr. Lockwood is identified with Good Samaritan Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, also the Encampment; his clubs are the Taunton Automobile and yacht, and his religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Lockwood married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1892, Nellie J. Smith of this city, daughter of Alphonso B. Smith of Taunton, Massachusetts, a moulder by trade, who died in 1909. Her mother, Emma F. (Wiggin) Smith, also a native of Taunton, Massachusetts, died in 1908. Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood are the parents of two children: Harold A., born in 1895; and Marjorie, born in 1903.

**THOMAS F. COADY**—As owner and manager of the Wamsutta Drug Company, Inc., Thomas F. Coady is conducting one of the up-to-date and prosperous business enterprises of North Attleboro. The establishment is located on the corner of Washington and Elm streets, and is steadily increasing the volume of its business.

Mr. Coady was born at Dalton, Berkshire county, Massachusetts, December 6, 1872, and is a son of John Coady of County Kilkenny, Ireland, who died in 1903, and of Margaret (Nolan) Coady, also a native of Ireland, who died in 1911. Thomas F. Coady received his early and preparatory education in the public schools of Dalton, graduating from the high school in 1889. He then became a student in the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, but did not remain in that institution to the time of graduation. Instead he left the college and found employment with the Hyden Pharmacy at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, where he remained for a period of one year. At the end of that time he removed to North Attleboro, Massachusetts, where he found employment for a few months in the pharmacy of A. P. Watson. He then opened a drug store under the name of the Middleton Pharmacy, and associated with him a partner, John Loftus, with whom he engaged in business under the name of T. F. Coady & Company. This pharmacy was located at No. 37 North Washington street, and was entirely successful as a business enterprise. In 1914 Mr. Coady was appointed by President Wilson to serve as postmaster of North Attleboro, which federal office he continued to hold until April, 1923. During his term as postmaster, the amount of mail coming into North Attleboro more than doubled, and Mr. Coady is known as one of the most efficient of those who have from time to time filled that office. After his appointment as postmaster Mr. Coady retained his interest in the pharmacy at No. 37 North Washington street until 1916, in which year he sold his interest. On June 10, 1921, he established the Wamsutta Drug Company, Inc., and that concern he has continued to conduct to the present time (1923). His present store is a modern one in every respect and is conducted along the most progressive business lines. It is located at the corner of Washington and Elm streets and its already large patronage is growing rapidly. Mr. Coady is one of the best known men in North Attleboro, and his wide acquaintance as well as his excellent record as a business man are bringing to him a large amount of new patronage. During the World War he was prominent in the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives and rendered valuable service in the work of carrying North Attleboro "over the top." Politically he gives his support to the Democratic party, but he has never sought nor desired public office. He is well known in fraternal circles, being a member of North Attleboro Lodge, No. 1011, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in which he is a past exalted ruler; and of Thomas P. McDonough Council, Knights of Columbus, of North Attleboro. He is also a mem-

ber of the North Attleboro Board of Trade, and has always taken an active interest in all projects which seemed to him to be well planned for the advancement of the public welfare. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

On July 27, 1908, Thomas F. Coady married Mabel L. Birch of Milford, Massachusetts, daughter of William H. Birch of that place, a veteran of the Civil War, who was engaged in business as a confectioner, and who died in 1921, and of Emma F. (Clark) Birch, who died in 1894. Mr. and Mrs. Coady are the parents of one daughter, Harriette F., who was born June 30, 1909.

**ALBERT BRAYTON CHAPMAN**—The pioneer in every field not only wins a position of advantage, but his activities are of the keenest interest to the people and form a part of the really significant history of the time. Mr. Chapman has taken the position of a pioneer in the stove industry through his adaptation of the possibilities of enamel to the manufacture of cast iron stoves. Enameled stoves are now a regular product of the standard foundries, but Mr. Chapman was the first in Taunton, the great New England stove center, and indeed in this part of the country, to do stove enameling. On this idea he has built a very prosperous and constantly growing business, and has taken his place among the largely successful men of Bristol county. He is a son of George F. Chapman, who was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, and is a millwright by occupation. The mother, Mary E. (Hart) Chapman, is also a native of Fall River.

Albert Brayton Chapman was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 20, 1882. Acquiring a broadly practical education in the local public schools of his birthplace, Mr. Chapman was first employed in Taunton as a machinist and later as foreman of the nickel department in the Evans Stamping and Plating Company of this city. There he was active for seventeen years, during the greater part of the time filling a responsible position as foreman, but Mr. Chapman was a man of broad capability and independent spirit, and in 1915 he struck out for himself, purchasing the established business of the Nichols Company, located on Mechanics lane, in Taunton. There he developed a prosperous interest and one of his earliest activities was the application of his idea to stoves. It was only a short time before the advantage of this idea became clearly evident, and it was taken up by the great stove manufacturing concerns of this section. Mr. Chapman's business was of such rapid growth that he has been obliged to extend his operations materially, and is now contemplating large additions of floor space and equipment. His products in this department go to all parts of the United States, and he is also handling a successful business in Oxy-Acetylene welding and mill work of all kinds, being the sole owner of the business. Mr. Chapman supports the Republican party in all political affairs, but has never held office and takes only the citizens' interest in public matters. His fraternal affiliations

are with Sabbatia Lodge, No. 224, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his religious affiliation is with Grace Methodist Church.

Mr. Chapman married, in June, 1906, Edith M. Haskins of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Frederick M. Haskins of that place, a machinist by trade. The mother, Levinia (Pierce) Haskins, is also a native of Taunton, Massachusetts.

**WILLIAM C. ADAMS, M. D.**—A leading physician of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Dr. William C. Adams, who is the only physician at present residing and practicing in East Taunton, Massachusetts, and both as a professional man and as a citizen holds a very prominent position in his community. Dr. Adams is a son of Robert and Annie (Banks) Adams, both natives of Middleboro, Massachusetts. His father was throughout his lifetime a butcher in Middleboro, Massachusetts, and a successful business man, his death occurring in 1912. The mother died in 1881.

Dr. Adams was born at Middleboro, Massachusetts, December 19, 1875. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace and he is a graduate of the Wareham High School, class of 1893. Early choosing the realm of medicine as his field of professional endeavors, the young man entered Baltimore Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1896 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Entering on his practice in East Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1899, Dr. Adams has followed a general line of practice through the subsequent years. He has been largely successful in a professional way and he has won the sincere confidence and esteem of the people of this community. His genial spirit and friendly smile give him a cordial welcome in every circle, and he is familiarly known as "Doc" to his many friends. Always a worker in every advance movement, and by political connection a Democrat, his influence has had much to do with local advance, although he has never accepted official responsibilities in public life. Fraternally Dr. Adams is identified with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar; is also a member of Sabbatia Lodge, No. 225, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and Nemasket Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, and he is affiliated with the American Medical Association, and Massachusetts Medical Society.

Dr. Adams married, in Taunton, in 1902, Mary Ryan of that city, daughter of Matthew and Johanna Ryan. Her father, who was an active mine worker in Colorado for many years, died in 1919, while her mother died two years previously. Dr. and Mrs. Adams are parents of two children: Dorothy May, born in 1905; and Robert Booth, born in 1907.

**HENRY HERBERT LAWSON**—As distributor for the Buick automobiles in the Fall River district

Henry Herbert Lawson holds a position of large importance in the motor car world, and is one of the really noted distributors of the day. Possessing wide experience in other fields of endeavor as well as in his present one, and gifted with the natural ability of the business executive, he is a force for progress in commercial activities in this section, and is one of the largely successful men of Bristol county, Massachusetts. He is a son of Alexander and Christina G. (Rae) Lawson, both natives of Aberdeen, Scotland, and married there. They came to the United States in the year 1878, locating in Westerly, Rhode Island, and for one year the father was engaged in the monumental business in that city. Removing from Westerly to Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1879, Alexander Lawson established himself in the same line of endeavor in this city and carried the interest forward until his death, which occurred in the year 1890, at the age of fifty-two years. Alexander Lawson was an artist in his field and a highly skilled workman, giving to his efforts the tireless energy and unquestioned ability which count for success in any line of advance. Noteworthy monuments to his skill with the mallet and chisel are the ornamental lions and other carvings on the Post Office building in Fall River. Many exquisite cemetery memorials stand in this city and other communities of Bristol county which were designed and executed by him, his feeling for the suitable and seemingly in memorial art being clearly revealed in their perfection. A man of the highest integrity, Alexander Lawson left to his sons a heritage of far more than the prosperous business interest which is still carried on by two of his sons, Frederick W. and Alonzo W. The plant is the oldest monumental plant in Fall River and one of the most important in this part of the State. The mother survived her husband for thirty years, passing away in 1920.

Henry Herbert Lawson was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, March 19, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools and he was graduated from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1902. Securing a position with the J. O'Neill Company, hardware and mill supply dealers, he remained with that concern for a period of five years. His next experience was as a salesman on the road for W. G. Pearce & Company, dealers in hardware and blacksmith supplies, and in this connection he was associated for about five years and a half. Thereafter Mr. Lawson accepted a position with Chace & Bodge (which interest is now carried forward under the name of Leonard S. Chace), dealers in mill supplies, and in this connection he was active as traveling salesman for another period of about five years. In the year 1914 Mr. Lawson bought an interest in the Place Garage Company, Inc., distributors of the Franklin, Jackson and Buick cars, this concern also maintaining the largest storage garage in the city of Fall River. In September, 1919, Mr. Lawson became sole proprietor of this interest, and upon taking over the enterprise he changed the name to the H.





Henry H. Lawson



H. Lawson Motor Company, Inc., which title still remains. Mr. Lawson retained the Buick car agency alone and has gone forward since in the interests of this automobile, developing extensively its sale in this section, and bringing his business to a leading position in southeastern Massachusetts. In December, 1920, he sold the garage and storage business including the land and building which it occupied, and located at his present place of business, at Nos. 23-27 High street. Thus his activities now are along the line of sales only, having the Buick automobile exclusively, and in this specialization he has found a large measure of his success, since he has devoted his time wholly to sales activities. His distribution of this car has mounted both in numbers and in scope, until he is one of the really important Buick distributors of the East. Mr. Lawson is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; also is a member of the Azab Grotto. He is further affiliated with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is a leading member of the Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Lawson married, in 1905, Lillian May Sumner of Taunton, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of two children: Helen Gibson, now a senior at the B. M. C. Durfee High School; and Kenneth Alexander, a sophomore in the B. M. C. Durfee High School. The family reside at No. 710 Prospect street.

**L. WARREN KING**—In a responsible position of public trust in East Taunton, Massachusetts, L. Warren King is a noteworthy figure, filling the office of postmaster of East Taunton. With long experience in business affairs prior to his election to his present position, Mr. King is widely known in this section and universally esteemed by the people. He is a son of Charles W. King, who was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and was by trade a painter. Charles W. King was a broad-minded and public-spirited citizen, always alert to the community events, and his death, which occurred in 1910, removed from the city a man of large usefulness. The mother, Mary A. (Andrews) King, died in 1906.

L. Warren King was born at East Taunton, Massachusetts, April 22, 1876. Preparing for the responsibilities of life in the public schools of Taunton, Massachusetts, Mr. King was first employed in a grocery store in the capacity of clerk. This position he filled for six years, after which he was employed in a shoe factory for about twelve years. Thereafter for seven years Mr. King followed various lines of commercial advance, gaining breadth of experience and constantly acquiring greater efficiency in general business affairs. In 1921 he accepted the appointment of postmaster of East Taunton, Massachusetts, in which capacity he has since served the people faithfully and well. A man of

genial spirit and genuine friendliness, Mr. King is popular among the people of East Taunton, and is considered one of the most thoroughly acceptable men who has ever filled this position in the local public service. A Republican by political affiliation, he has never accepted any other public office, but since attaining his majority has been a worker in the movements of the party. Fraternally Mr. King is affiliated with the Sabbatia Lodge, No. 225, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and his religious connection is with the Congregational church.

Mr. King married Elsie M. Canedy of Lakeville, Massachusetts, and they have one daughter, Marion E., born in 1901.

**WILLIAM J. DANA**—When a young man William J. Dana came to the United States, settling in Boston, Massachusetts, later winning high position in the business world of Bristol county. He has built his success on his own energy and thrift, and while advancing his own interests has contributed in a very marked degree to the general well-being and progress. Gifted with business ability of a high order, Mr. Dana holds a place among the leading merchants of Taunton, and is one of the progressive and esteemed citizens of that city. He is a son of Jacob and Sophia (Sawyer) Dana, his father also engaging in mercantile pursuits, throughout his lifetime, which closed in 1916.

William J. Dana was born in Russia, August 17, 1880, and there he spent the first fifteen years of his life. He attended public schools in Russia until 1895, when he came to the United States, landing in Boston, Massachusetts, where he opened an attractive store on Washington street for the sale of men's and women's clothing. In 1903 he opened a branch store in Taunton, and, carrying this interest forward for about twelve years, he then removed to his present location at No. 87 Main street. In 1907 Mr. Dana added to his former lines by opening a store at No. 56 Main street, Taunton, with a complete and attractive stock of household and office furniture, also expanded his interests in the clothing departments very materially. Shortly thereafter he entered an entirely different field, but still continued the interests above outlined. He purchased the old Poole homestead and on this property built a handsome business block of ten stores. Later he bought two lots on Cohannet street and there built twelve stores, and also erected a block of six stores on Weir street. This practical demonstration of faith in the future of the city and the enterprise of its people has been of great benefit to Taunton's commercial interests, and Mr. Dana's energy and ability have been commended and appreciated by the leading merchants of the city. Mr. Dana is now (1923) erecting a business block of nine stores at the corner of Main and Cedar streets, Taunton, and he conducts a large and prosperous store in Boston. In fraternal circles in Taunton Mr. Dana is also well known, being a member of John Hancock Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and Llewellyn Lodge,



Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Boston. In 1910 Mr. Dana led the movement which resulted in the organization of the Congregation Agudathachim, of which he was chosen the first president. It was through his efforts that the congregation erected the beautiful house of worship on Winthrop street, and later he led in the movement to erect a school on the property adjoining the synagogue, where 125 children are now in attendance, Mr. Dana also being president of that school.

Mr. Dana married, in New York City, in 1906, Mary, daughter of Nathan Zuckerman, a prosperous merchant of that city, who died in 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Dana are the parents of five children: Lester H., born in 1908; Adelaide, born in 1911; Helen N., born in 1913; Dorothy, born in 1916; and Jacob B., born in 1919. The children are receiving excellent educations in the local schools of Taunton.

**GEORGE A. WHITING**—An interesting and thriving enterprise of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, but national in the scope of its distribution, is the Sturtevant & Whiting Company, Inc., manufacturers of carded jewelry, and one of the oldest firms in this line of industrial activity in Bristol County. George A. Whiting is a son of John F. Whiting, who was born at Dorchester, Massachusetts, and is a jeweler. He is one of the few remaining veterans of the Civil War, having served in Company I, 5th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, with the rank of corporal. The mother, Sophia E. (Carpenter) Whiting, who was born at Cumberland, Rhode Island, is also still living, and both have reached an advanced age.

George A. Whiting was born at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, March 30, 1868. His education was begun in the local public schools and he prepared for a business career at the Bristol Academy, taking a special commercial course. His first experience in the world of men and affairs was in the employ of George W. Cheever, as a bookkeeper in a market of North Attleboro, and he was active in this connection for about one year. He then entered the employ of the S. E. Fisher Company, manufacturing jewelers, and has continued with this organization through the various changes which have taken place with the passing of the years, until the present time. This enterprise was founded in the early seventies by Demerest & Packard, and was started in the old Stephen Richardson building. Only a short time later the firm name was changed to S. E. Fisher & Company, in which form it continued until the year 1897, when it was reorganized with E. D. Sturtevant, W. A. Bigelow and George A. Whiting as partners. At that time the business was located on Chestnut street and this arrangement continued until the year 1906, when Mr. Bigelow retired and the firm name became Sturtevant & Whiting. In 1914 the business was incorporated with only sufficient change of name to indicate the incorporation. No further change was made until 1922, when George A. Whiting disposed of his stock to

Lewis Knotz and George E. White. The concern occupies an entire floor in the Whiting building at No. 244 Broad street, and employs about thirty people, their output being distributed throughout the United States and Canada. Their jewelry is all prepared for the market on cards and is a very attractive and superior line. Mr. Whiting was a member of the Manufacturing Jewelers' Association, which he served as a director at several different times, was also a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Improved Order of Red Men, but otherwise he has few interests outside of his business. He attends the Universalist church.

Mr. Whiting married, in 1892, Fannie Robinson Shepardson of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Edwin and Annie (Freeman) Shepardson, her father a jeweler of North Attleboro. Mr. and Mrs. Whiting have one daughter, Edith, now the wife of W. Charles Thompson.

**MICHAEL T. HUDNER**—Three-quarters of a century ago Thomas Hudner came to the United States, a young man of eighteen, and located his home at Fall River, Massachusetts. Here his after-life was spent, with the exception of two or three years spent in the quest of gold in California, for he came in 1847, just in time to be caught in the wild rush for the "golden sands" of the Pacific State. He married, in Fall River, Mary Tobin, and they were the parents of Michael T. Hudner, whose career as a business man of his native city, Fall River, is herein reviewed.

Thomas Hudner, son of Thomas and Honora (Drohan) Hudner, was born in Ireland, August 25, 1829. He came to Fall River in 1847, and there died, after an active and successful business life, February 25, 1910, in the eighty-first year of his life. His wife, Mary (Tobin) Hudner, died February 12, 1871, aged thirty-six years and seven months. Thomas Hudner never remarried, but made his home with his son after the death of his only daughter to survive childhood, she dying at the age of twenty-four. He passed away at the home of his only son, Michael T. Hudner, at the corner of Highland and President avenues, a man highly esteemed by a wide circle of friends, and beloved by those whose privilege it was to know him well.

Michael T. Hudner, only son of Thomas and Mary (Tobin) Hudner to survive childhood, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, November 19, 1862. He acquired his education in the public schools, and was variously employed until definitely determining his life's occupation. In 1884 he opened a meat market in Fall River, on the corner of Second and Rodman streets. Here he has built up a wonderful business in wholesale and retail meats and provisions during the years that have since elapsed. He remained at the first location until 1887, when he removed to the then new Waterman block on Pleasant street, going thence to the Thomas Waring building on Main street, and

in 1893 to No. 150 South Main street, at the corner of Borden street. There he continued the Boston Market, now a landmark, and the largest and best-equipped meat-market in the city. A wholesale department was added to the business, and as prosperity came branch stores were opened in the city. Later New Bedford was invaded, three Hudner markets being operated in that city, and five in Fall River, all of these branches furnishing the same quality of meats and service as the Boston Market, which was the headquarters of the business.

Quality is the store slogan, and system is Mr. Hudner's particular hobby, for with a business employing over one hundred clerks, with fifteen delivery wagons, serving thousands daily, without perfect system confusion would reign. In the Boston Market all kinds of meat and game in season can be seen; and in the Hudner building, his storage warehouse, just across the street from the Boston Market, is located a refrigerating and electric light plant which furnishes both the warehouse and the Boston Market with refrigeration and light. For two years (1895-1897) Mr. Hudner operated a similar market at the corner of Washington and Bennett streets, Boston, but since 1897 he has confined his business to Fall River and New Bedford. His offices are in the Hudner building, which he erected on South Main street in 1897, a fine, modernly-built and modernly-equipped business block. In 1899 he erected the three-story building at the corner of Second and Borden streets.

The demands of the Boston Market and its branches have held Mr. Hudner closely, but from 1892 until 1894 and again in 1897, he conducted the Mellen House, a leading Fall River Hotel in its day. For many years he was a director of the Union Bank, and when it became a part of the merger, resulting in the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank, he became a director. He is also a trustee of the Union Savings Bank and a director in the Flint Mills. He is one of the most capable commercial men of his city and a good citizen, lending a hand always to any movement for Fall River's good. Mr. Hudner is a member of the Quequechan Club, the Fall River Country Club, the Rotary Club, the Merchants' Association, and of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Hudner married, on October 21, 1889, Helena Kennedy, a teacher in the New Bedford schools and a daughter of Michael Kennedy. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hudner: Mary, Thomas and Ethel, who are living, and Harold and Charles who died in infancy.

**HECTOR LOUIS BELISLE, A. B.**—Upon finishing a classical course at Harvard, in 1896, Mr. Belisle embraced pedagogy as a profession, going to Lawrence, Massachusetts, where as teacher, principal and supervisor he remained until coming to Fall River in 1913, as superintendent of the city system of public schools. He has now been engaged in school work for more than a quarter of

a century, and in all departments of the work of teaching, both administrative and executive, he has won high reputation that has been fairly and honorably earned.

Alexander Belisle, born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, in 1830, came to the United States in 1848, and settled in Western Massachusetts. Three years before his coming (1845), a Canadian girl, Marie Dorval, came to the United States with her parents, they settling at Woonsocket, Rhode Island. Alexander Belisle and Marie Dorval were married July 10, 1853, at Millbury, Massachusetts, and later settled in Worcester, Massachusetts, where their son, Hector Louis Belisle, was born. Alexander Belisle, a carriage-builder by trade, became a shoe factory operative, and in Worcester was a contracting foreman in the shoe manufacturing industry. He died March 14, 1903, his widow surviving him until January 28, 1905.

Hector Louis Belisle, son of Alexander and Marie (Dorval) Belisle, was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, October 18, 1874. He attended Worcester schools, finishing with graduation from the Worcester Classical School, class of 1892, then entered Harvard University, whence he was graduated A. B., class of 1896. Four years, 1896-1900, were spent as a teacher of English and French at Lawrence (Massachusetts) High School, that period being followed by one as principal of the grammar school and supervisor of evening school of the same city, continuing until 1913. During that period he conducted a series of broad investigations into school conditions and methods in the cities of the East, many of which he visited personally. The winter of 1909 he spent in France on leave of absence, and in the cities of that country, varying in population from 60,000 up to the great city of Paris, he conducted his investigations of schools with particular reference to methods pursued in elementary and secondary schools, stressing also the manual and vocational training of youths from twelve to eighteen years of age. In 1913 Mr. Belisle came to Fall River as superintendent of the public schools system and for ten years has most ably filled that most important position. He has placed the schools of the city upon a high plane of efficiency and is applying to them the results of his own investigation and study with all that has proved desirable from the experiences of other educators and authorities.

Mr. Belisle is a member of The Massachusetts School Masters Club and its president in 1916-17; was treasurer and councillor of the Essex County Teachers' Association, one year; president of the Bristol County Teachers' Association, 1914-1915; and during the period of war with Germany served on the local executive committee on Public Safety. During 1922 and 1923 he has served as secretary of the special commission appointed by the governor of Massachusetts to investigate and report upon the advisability of establishing a State University in Massachusetts. In politics Mr. Belisle is an independent Democrat, and in religious faith a Roman

Catholic, a member of St. Matthew's Parish, Fall River.

Mr. Belisle married, June 28, 1905, Mildred Grace Potter of Boston, daughter of George M. and Anna M. (Cunningham) Potter, her father a well known hotel proprietor of Boston, who died in 1909. Mr. and Mrs. Belisle are the parents of six children, one of whom is deceased. The others are Anna M., Alexander, Eugene L., Elizabeth, and Beatrice.

**ARTHUR C. HOMER**—With practically a life experience in the textile industry, Arthur C. Homer has been a definite force in the development and progress of the Pilgrim Mills, in Fall River, Massachusetts, and now holds a responsible position as treasurer of this concern. Mr. Homer is a son of Arthur H. and Sarah F. (Vickery) Homer, both natives of Bristol county, the father born in New Bedford, and the mother in Fall River, both tracing their ancestry to the early history of Colonial days in America. The father was cut down in the flower of his manhood, passing away when only twenty-four years of age, but the mother survived him for a number of years, and died in 1885.

Arthur C. Homer was born at Fall River, December 29, 1867. His education was received in the Fall River public schools, and for a time, in his early manhood, he was employed by the Board of Immigration, in their Boston office. In 1889 he became affiliated with the textile industry, securing a position as a clerk in the Durfee Mills, of Fall River. Here he remained a member of the office force until February, 1898, when he transferred his activities to the Pocasset Hat Company, where he served as bookkeeper. The failure of this firm about a year and a half later determined him upon re-entering the textile industry, and in March, 1900, he became connected with the Border City Mills, as an office clerk. In August of the same year he resigned from this position to accept a more responsible one in the Globe Yarn Mills, of Fall River, and he was identified with the office force of this corporation for more than eleven years. In November of 1911, Mr. Homer accepted the position of bookkeeper with the newly-organized Pilgrim Mills and was placed in charge of the office, serving in this connection until February, 1912. He was then elected treasurer of the company, which office he filled until October, 1914. Thereafter, for nearly seven years, Mr. Homer acted as assistant to Henry F. Searles, who filled the office of treasurer during that period, then in February, 1921, he was elected assistant treasurer of the mills. In September, 1922, he was again elected treasurer of the company, in which important capacity he now ably serves. Coming into the organization as he did at its inception, Mr. Homer has done much to promote its progress and carry the plant to its present importance, and in his position of treasurer in this corporation he holds rank with the leading textile executives of Bristol county. Mr. Homer is vice-president and director of the Jamison Textile and Commission Corporation, located at No. 320 Broadway,

New York City. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce and Southern New England Textile Club, and supports the Republican party in political affairs, although his life has been so filled with other responsibilities that he has never accepted public office. Fraternally he is affiliated with King Philip's Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; is a member of the Azab Grotto; and is also a member of the Quequechan Club.

In 1891 Mr. Homer married Victoria Ouellette, a native of Green Island, St. Lawrence river, but from her girlhood a resident of Fall River. They are the parents of two children: Arthur B., engaged in the cotton brokerage business; and Sadie V., wife of Maurice A. Carlow, manager of the Jenness Battery Shop, of Fall River.

**DANIEL JOHN FENNELLY, M. D.**, is a native son of Fall River, and the professional success he has attained as a neurologist is most gratifying to the many friends in the city who have known him from boyhood. He began practice among his friends and neighbors a decade ago, but the war with Germany drew him into the service of his country and for two years at home and on foreign shores he bore his part in the great struggle. His success as a physician has been along a specialized line of practice, nervous diseases, and he divided his time between his practice in Fall River and his work on the staff of Boston City Hospital, prior to entering the army, but since his return he has only served on the staff of Union Hospital, Fall River, having also the care of his private practice.

Francis John Fennelly, father of Daniel J. Fennelly, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, and died there in 1920. He was successfully engaged in the insurance business and was a prominent Democrat, representing his district in the Massachusetts House of Representatives during the entire period, 1900-1918. He married Julia V. Sullivan, also born in Fall River, who yet survives him (1923).

Daniel J. Fennelly, son of Francis J. and Julia V. (Sullivan) Fennelly, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 20, 1896, and there completed public school study with graduation from B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1907. He then entered Tufts Medical College, whence he was graduated M. D. in 1911, his study being supplemented by eighteen months' service in the neurology wards of Boston City Hospital. After this preparation he came to Fall River in 1913 and established in practice as a specialist in nervous diseases, being on the staffs of Union Hospital, Fall River, and City Hospital, Boston, giving three days weekly to each institution. The arrangement continued until Dr. Fennelly entered the service of his country in 1917, that service holding him until February, 1919. Upon his return from the army Dr. Fennelly again located in Fall River, Massachusetts, where he has gathered up the broken threads of his professional career and gone forward to even greater success as a specialist. He is assistant in the Neurological Department of Boston City Hos-



pital, alienist to the Juvenile Court of Fall River, Massachusetts, and neurologist to Union Hospital. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Massachusetts Medical Society, Fall River Medical Society, American Neurological Society, and is secretary of the staff of Union Hospital. In politics he is a Republican, in religious faith Roman Catholic.

Dr. Fennelly's military service began in 1917 with his commission as a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. He was assigned to duty at Fort Harrison, Indiana, but three months later was sent to Camp Devens, Massachusetts. He was next sent to New York Neurological Institute for a special training, and two months later was ordered to Camp Dix, New Jersey, where he was commissioned captain. After three months at Camp Dix he was transferred to Camp Oglethorpe, Georgia, finally on July 8, 1918, sailing from Hoboken for France, landing at Brest, and at once going into active service as a member of that band of devoted specialists known as "The Shell Shock Team" with the 47th and 89th divisions of the American Expeditionary Forces. He was also for some time on duty at Beaune, a city of France, on the railway from Paris to Lyons, having a wonderful hospital, dating from 1443. There he was a member of Hospital Centre, Army Post Office 909. Dr. Fennelly continued in the service until honorably discharged in February, 1919, when he returned to Fall River.

On October 20, 1915, at Fall River, Dr. Fennelly married Marion E. Euwright, daughter of Thomas H. and Catherine (Daley) Euwright, her parents deceased. Dr. and Mrs. Fennelly are the parents of a son, Daniel John (2), born February 27, 1921.

**CHATTERTON WARBURTON**—Although a native son of the old Bay State, Mr. Warburton is of English-Scotch parentage, and since his boyhood has been a resident of Fall River. He began working in the textile mills at nine years of age, but drifted away from that line of work and became interested in the growing of plants and flowers. He has specialized as a grower in roses and carnations and is a well known exhibitor and originator of new varieties of both these most popular of flowers. He has been very successful, and the firm James Warburton & Son continued in business until the death of the senior member, the son then succeeding to the sole ownership and management, his greenhouses at "Cress Brook" the largest in Bristol county.

James Warburton, born in Lancashire, England, in 1830, died at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1911. He came to the United States when a very young man and there the greater part of his life was spent as a worker in the granitis mills. The last years of his life he traveled the world over and saw most of its great cities and natural wonders. He married Sarah Charland, born in Glasgow, Scotland, but was taken in babyhood to India by her father, an officer in the English Army, who was killed later, the child, Sarah, then being adopted

by Quartermaster Dorington, an attache of the hospital, and one of the men who laid out the great Napoleon for burial at St. Helena. Mrs. Warburton died at Fall River in 1885.

Chatterton Warburton, son of James and Sarah (Charland) Warburton, was born at Lawrence, Massachusetts, December 21, 1861, and seven years later was brought by his parents to Fall River. At the age of nine years he began as textile mill worker, one of his early employers being the Coates Mill at Pawtucket, Rhode Island, a mill that took a medal at the Centennial Exposition held in Philadelphia in 1876, the lad, Chatterton Warburton, to make the tweed that won the coveted medal. Soon afterward he returned to Fall River, where (until 1886, he was employed in the granite mills. In 1886, with his father, he formed the firm James Warburton & Son and established in business as a florist, his original plant two small greenhouses. But his plant and business have grown with the years and at "Cress Brook," on New Boston road he has 100,000 square feet under glass, with a large show and salesroom at No. 33 North Main street. His business is very extensive and taxes his resources to the utmost. In 1921 the firm name was changed to E. Warburton & Sons, the sons having been admitted to the business. Mr. Warburton is also widely known as an exhibitor and originator of new varieties. In 1901 he was awarded a certificate of merit by the American Carnation Society meeting in National Convention at Baltimore, Maryland, for one of his new carnations, "Cress Brook." In 1915 he won the William Randolph Hearst Rose Medal awarded by the National Rose Growers' Association which met at Grand Central Palace, New York City. In 1921 he brought out a new red carnation, the "Remington," which he named after a friend. That carnation was awarded a certificate at the Hartford, Connecticut, Carnation Show. It has long been a passion with Mr. Warburton to blend colors and to reproduce these colors in flowers. He is a true florist and loves his vocation.

Fraternally Mr. Warburton is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is a member of the Florists' Telegraph Delivery, his membership dating from the organization of that popular service. He is also a member of the American Carnation Society, the American Rose Society; is a life member of the American Florists' Association, and of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society.

Mr. Warburton married, at Fall River, March 10, 1881, Catherine Manton, born in England, now deceased, daughter of Michael and Margaret Manton, her parents born in England, but residents of Fall River for many years. To Mr. and Mrs. Warburton four children were born, all at Fall River, and graduates of B. M. C. Durfee High School: James, Chatterton, Jr., Henry, and Catherine S., the last named a private school teacher of Fall River. The family home is at "Cress Brook," No. 483 New Boston road, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**REV. JOHN P. DOYLE**—In ecclesiastical circles in Fall River, Massachusetts, Rev. Father Doyle is well known, and his labors as pastor of St. William's Roman Catholic Church place him in the foremost ranks of professional advance in this city. A native of Bristol county, Father Doyle was reared in this section and is devoting his life to the religious advance of the people among whom he has for many years been a familiar figure. Father Doyle is a son of Patrick and Maria (Cody) Doyle, both natives of Ireland, the father born in County Wexford and the mother in County Kilkenny. As young people they came to this country, locating in Fall River, and were married in St. Mary's Church, now known as St. Mary's Cathedral. The father was a cabinet-maker by occupation, highly skilled in his trade, and worked both in that line and in general carpentry. He was active as a cabinet-maker in Ireland for a time before coming to this country; both parents are now deceased.

Rev. John P. Doyle was born in the city of Fall River, Massachusetts. His education was begun in the public schools of this city, and following the completion of his high school course, he was graduated in the class of 1897. His course in the liberal arts was covered in St. Charles' College at Baltimore, Maryland, and he studied theology at Grand Seminary, of Montreal, Quebec. There he was ordained on December 22, 1906, by the Most Rev. Archbishop Brauchesi. Thereafter returning to his native city of Fall River and coming under the jurisdiction of the Fall River diocese, Father Doyle was first appointed assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Church in Taunton, where he served for nearly three years. He was then sent to St. John's Church in Attleboro, Massachusetts, and there served as assistant priest for five years and six months. Thereafter returning once more to Fall River, he received the appointment as assistant priest of St. Louis' Church of this city and was active in this connection for two years and a half. Father Doyle was then appointed pastor of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church at North Dighton, and under his fostering care this parish prospered greatly during the three years of his pastorate. He was then appointed to his present church, St. Williams' Roman Catholic Church of Fall River, and taking up the duties of this parish with characteristic energy and the consecrated purpose which makes him a leader among men, he has done a great work. He has improved the church property materially, added to and beautified the buildings and grounds, and the people feel that he is, indeed, their spiritual father. Not only among his own people but in all denominations, Father Doyle has made countless friends in Fall River and he is widely esteemed as a progressive man and citizen as well as a devoted and consecrated worker in religious advance.

**CHARLES HENRY HODGATE**—Now just past his seventy-first birthday, Mr. Hodgate reviews a life of usefulness as a contractor and builder in the city of his birth, Fall River having been his lifetime

home. He is yet keen, alert and "in the harness," bearing his share of the burdens of life. He is a son of Charles and Elizabeth (Chatburn) Hodgate, both born in Manchester, England, the father in 1810. The parents came to the United States settling at Fall River, Massachusetts, where Charles Hodgate was engaged as a steel engraver in the American Printing Company.

Charles Henry Hodgate was born at Fall River, October 7, 1852, and there attended public schools, finishing his education with graduation from high school, class of 1870. After leaving school he became a carpenter's apprentice under Ichabod B. Bert, a contractor and builder of Fall River, becoming a skilled workman. Later he formed a partnership under the firm name Hodgate & Bert, general contractors, an association that existed four years. In 1898 Mr. Hodgate established as a building contractor under the firm name, C. H. Hodgate & Company, a firm that has become one of the most prominent in the city, their employees numbering eighty. The first building erected by Mr. Hodgate under his own name alone was the Italian Methodist Episcopal Church edifice. During the quarter of a century which has since elapsed he has built churches, schools, business blocks and private residences, the most notable recently (1923) completed being the A. P. Charlton residence at Westport Harbor, one of the finest private residences in New England. Mr. Hodgate owns property at No. 370 Bedford street, which is filled with improved machinery for planing mill purposes, a property which he first occupied in 1918. He bears an excellent reputation for integrity and reliability, his long business career having been distinguished by the squareness of dealing with every one.

Mr. Hodgate is an Independent in politics, a member of the Knights of Pythias, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Fall River Builders' Association, and the Massachusetts Builders' Association.

Mr. Hodgate married, at Fall River, in 1874, Amanda E. Borden, daughter of Isaac and Louisa Borden, her father born at Fall River, Massachusetts, her mother in Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Hodgate are the parents of three children: Minnie, wife of George Pickering of Fall River; Elizabeth, and Charles, the last named a yeoman in the United States Navy during the World War (1917-18), now associated in business with his father.

**GEORGE HUTCHINSON**—For the past eighteen years George Hutchinson has been identified with the U S Bobbin & Shuttle Company, and by energy, ability and faithfulness, he has risen to the responsible position which he now holds as superintendent and general manager of the Fall River Division.

Mr. Hutchinson was born in England, November 1, 1884, son of William and Mary A. (Ralph) Hutchinson, the former of whom is a native of Chillicothe, Ohio, born in 1860, and was a textile operator, and the latter of whom was born in England, in 1860. When he was eight years of



John P. Doyle.





age he was brought to this country by his parents, who settled in Fall River, Massachusetts, and in the public schools of that community he received his education. After leaving the public schools he entered a textile mill and worked as an operator four years, during which time he attended a commercial school at night. In 1903 he left the textile mill and entered Commercial College for a two year course. After completing this course he looked about for a suitable position in which he might find not only remunerative employment but opportunity for advancement. In 1905 he found the opportunity he was looking for and entered the employ of the U S Bobbin & Shuttle Company. That connection has been maintained to the present time. Beginning as clerk, he advanced steadily through the various clerical positions to chief clerk, and then went out through the various positions in the plant until he had mastered the details of practically every department in the concern. In 1917 he was made superintendent and general manager of the Fall River Division, which has its headquarters in Providence, Rhode Island, and he is meeting the demands of that responsible executive position with notable efficiency. The concern, the largest of its kind in the United States, requires the services of 1,500 employees who operate intricate machinery for making spools, bobbins, etc. There are 400 employed at Fall River, this being the only plant of this kind in Bristol county. Mr. Hutchinson has developed many improvements, and it is safe to say that there is no man in New England more thoroughly acquainted with this special field of manufacturing industry than he. Politically he gives allegiance to no party but casts his vote independently. He is well known in fraternal circles, being a member of both branches of York and Scottish Rite Masons, Massachusetts Consistory, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He takes an interest in the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and is always ready to contribute his share to the advancement of the general welfare. His religious affiliation is with St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

At Tiverton, Rhode Island, September 27, 1910, George Hutchinson married Emily Corscadden, who was born in England, daughter of Arthur and Emily (Butler) Corscadden, both natives of England. Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson have two children: George Milton and Lincoln William.

**SYDNEY PHILIP MUNROE**—An expert on cost systems for cotton mills, Mr. Munroe is following the line with which he has been familiar from youth, his expert knowledge being practical, as well as scientific and theoretical. He comes of a family long settled in Southeastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island, his ancestry tracing to earliest days in New England, one branch leading to Richard Warren of the "Mayflower," another to Michael Pierce, captain of a band of men killed by the

Indians near Warren, Rhode Island. His paternal grandmother was a real Daughter of the Revolution, her father, Isaac Pierce, having served in the Continental Army. The Munro-Munroe genealogy is traced to William and Mary Munro of the town of Bristol, then a part of Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts. Sydney P. Munroe of Fall River, Massachusetts, is a son of Oliver Buchanan and Ethel (Cross) Munroe. Oliver B. Munroe was born in Providence, Rhode Island, in 1856, and died in 1916. He was graduated from Brown University in 1878, receiving the degree of A. B. and subsequently A. M. He was for many years editor of the "American Wool and Cotton Reporter," and was mayor of Melrose, Massachusetts, during 1913 and 1914, serving two terms. His widow, born in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, of Maine parentage, still survives him (1923).

Sydney P. Munroe was born in East Providence, Rhode Island, April 6, 1890. He was educated in the public schools, finishing in Melrose High School, class of 1908, after which he pursued the full course of technical instruction in cotton manufacturing at Lowell Textile School, Lowell, Massachusetts, finishing in 1912. At graduation he was awarded the medal of the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers for excellence in scholastic attainment. With the equipment that oldest of textile schools furnished its graduates, Mr. Munroe entered business life, spending the first two years in the mills at Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts. In 1914 he came to Fall River, Massachusetts, as a superintendent's clerk in the Merchants' Manufacturing Company's mill, later becoming assistant superintendent. In 1918 he entered the employ of the Wamsutta Mills at New Bedford, as assistant superintendent, remaining until 1919, when he returned to Fall River to accept the position of manager of the cost department of the firm of Ralph E. Loper & Company, industrial engineers. The position Mr. Munroe is now (1923) filling, his particular duty being the installing of cost systems for textile mills. He is rated an expert and his articles in the textile press carry the weight of an authority.

Mr. Munroe is a Republican in politics, a member of Massasoit Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; the Kiwanis Club; and the Textile School fraternity, Phi Psi.

He married, in Melrose, Massachusetts, September 15, 1916, Sadie Mildred Fish, daughter of Henry P. and Hannah (Marsh) Fish. Mr. and Mrs. Munroe are the parents of two children: Marian Elsa, born March 24, 1918; and Ethelind Blanche, born December 7, 1921.

The family home is at Fall River, where Mr. Munroe has won high reputation as an industrial engineer. The question of manufacturing costs has been the rock on which many a staunch and seaworthy business craft has been wrecked and lost when supposedly in smooth waters, hence the need of experts and systems that prove infallibly the true cost and financial status.

**FRANCIS P. CALLAHAN**—The graphic arts have always held a strong appeal for men of artistic tastes and natural skill of hands, and in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, Francis P. Callahan is a representative figure in this general field, his activities in the printing business having covered a period of many years. Mr. Callahan is a native of Taunton and a son of Patrick Callahan, who was born in County Cavan, Ireland, coming to this country as a young man. He died in 1907, but his wife, Rose (Galligan) Callahan, who was also born in County Cavan, still (1923) survives him.

Francis P. Callahan was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, October 13, 1877. Gaining his early education in the public and high schools of the city, he covered special business courses in preparation for his career, and for about two years was active in various lines of commercial endeavor. He then entered his present field of activity in the employ of C. A. Hack & Son, of Taunton, leading printers of that time. Entering the plant as an employee, Mr. Callahan mastered the trade and became active as a salesman, later as manager, eventually acquiring a financial interest in the business and becoming an executive officer of the corporation. He became sole owner of the business on November 28, 1919, and is still carrying it forward with large and increasing success. This enterprise was founded in the year 1844 by Christopher A. Hack, and is thus one of the oldest establishments of its kind in Bristol county. The first location was in the Union Block on Main street, but in 1902 they removed to their present location at No. 42 Court street. The enterprise continued under individual ownership until January 27, 1913, when it was incorporated, Mr. Callahan being president of the corporation since November 1919. Occupying 10,000 square feet of floor space and employing about thirty-five people, C. A. Hack & Son, Inc., handles a general line of printing, specializing in catalog and color work, and they have one of the most complete and modern equipments in this part of the State of Massachusetts. Mr. Callahan, as the head of this industrial organization, is a member of the board of managers of the Manufacturers' Association of Taunton. He is a member of the corporation of Taunton Savings Bank. For one year he served as councilman under Mayor Richard E. Warner and he is now (1923) chairman of the Municipal Lighting Commission, but otherwise has never accepted the responsibilities of public service. Externally he is a member of the Knights of Columbus, and his clubs are the Winthrop, Rotary, and Segregansett Country. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

**REV. EMANUEL SOUSA de MELLO**—During the period of fifteen years since Rev. Father de Mello was ordained to the priesthood he has done much good in the advance of Christian work in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and now, as pastor of St. Elizabeth's Church of Fall River, and suc-

cessor of the Rev. John F. Ferraz, he is doing a great work for the people of this parish. Father de Mello is a native of this State, and a son of Domingo S. and Mary (Thomasia) de Mello, both natives of the Island of Pico, of the Azores group, the parents having migrated to the United States about 1869 or 1870, settling in Massachusetts. Domingo S. de Mello left home at the age of seventeen years and shipped aboard a whaler bound for New Bedford. He followed whaling until the age of forty years, when he returned to his native land, married, and shortly thereafter started on a four years' whaling voyage. Once more returning to the Azores, he set sail for this country, bringing his wife and daughter, the family settling at Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Thereafter they resided for some five years at Mattapoisett, eventually removing to New Bedford, where Domingo S. de Mello died April 7, 1900. The mother survived him for several years, passing away at North Dighton, Massachusetts, in 1914.

Rev. Father Emanuel S. de Mello was born at Mattapoisett, Massachusetts, August 16, 1878. His education was begun in the public schools of his birth-place, then, at the age of twelve years, he began work in the New Bedford Mills and was thus active until his twenty-first year. Then realizing a long cherished desire to prepare himself for the priesthood, he went to Montreal, Canada, where he entered Montreal College. His father's death occurred when he had but attended this institution for about fifteen months and this left him without funds. He accordingly entered the Côte des Neiges College of Montreal and there taught to meet his expenses. Three years later he entered St. Laurent College, at St. Laurent, Quebec, where he took advanced studies in the liberal arts, then, in 1904, he sailed for the Azores to enter the Diocesan Seminary, at Angra, Terceira, where he covered the course in philosophy and theology, and he also took his minor orders, the sub-deaconate and deaconate, then returned to the United States in June, 1908. Coming to Fall River, he was ordained to the priesthood, at St. Mary's Cathedral, of this city, on August 15, 1908, the Rt. Rev. Daniel Francis Feehan, D. D., the bishop of Fall River, performing the ceremony. Father de Mello was first appointed curate of the Roman Catholic Church of Mt. Carmel, of New Bedford, then on May 1, 1909, he was made curate of the Church of the Holy Family, of East Taunton, Massachusetts. On October 31, 1913, Father de Mello was appointed the first pastor of St. Joseph's Church, of Fall River. His work was the founding of the parish and the erection of a temporary church edifice, and in the accomplishment of these endeavors he displayed the remarkable administrative and executive ability which have marked his entire career. He also presided over a mission church at Dighton, and although his work was scattered during this period he accomplished a great good. On January 27, 1917, Father de Mello was appointed to his present pastorate at St. Elizabeth's. Upon taking up his duties in this parish,



Father de Mello followed a highly worthy and eminent figure, Father Ferraz. The work of the church, long organized, and the parish a prosperous and flourishing record, Father de Mello, nevertheless, has led the people ever forward to higher plains of spiritual attainment and to greater and broadly material prosperity. He has won the esteem and affection of his people, and commands the sincere respect of his colleagues, in ecclesiastical circles, regardless of religious creed or opinion. He takes a deep interest in all that pertains to civic and social advance and stands among the really significant clergymen of the day in Bristol county.

**ERNEST KING VANDERWARKER**—A noteworthy figure in executive circles in Taunton, Massachusetts, is Ernest King Vanderwarker, who is bearing a part in the local progress as superintendent of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, and thereby also contributing to the wider prosperity through the product of this plant, which goes to all parts of the world. Mr. Vanderwarker has been identified with this concern for more than a quarter of a century, and has been one of the forces which have brought it to the present importance. A member of a family long usefully active in the State of Massachusetts, men of high integrity and lofty ideals, he is a son of James Arthur Vanderwarker, who was born at Raynham, Massachusetts, and during the greater part of his career was engaged in the grocery business. The mother, Harriett Alice (Dean) Vanderwarker, was born in Taunton, and is descended from old settlers of this community.

Ernest King Vanderwarker was born in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, August 17, 1878. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he is a graduate of Taunton High School, class of 1897. In the fall of the same year Mr. Vanderwarker entered the employ of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, with which he has since been continuously connected. First filling a position as clerk he showed the energy and adaptability which made him useful to the organization, also the executive ability which carried him to a responsible position. He rose step by step through the various grades, serving for a number of years as assistant superintendent. In 1910 he was made superintendent of the plant and now has eleven hundred and fifty employees under his supervision.

Mr. Vanderwarker is very widely known in Taunton and vicinity, and has countless friends in all walks of life. His broad common sense and his keen vision have made him one of the men sought in various branches of advance, and he is a director of the Morris Plan Bank and the Bristol County Savings Bank. During the World War he served as a member of the local branch of the Fuel Administration, and he received a certificate from the United States Government in appreciation of his services. Fraternally he is identified with Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and his clubs are the Winthrop, the Bristol, and the

South New England Textile Club. He has long taken a definite part in welfare and social advance, and is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious faith is that of the Christian Scientist.

Mr. Vanderwarker married, in 1905, Gertrude Congdon, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of George A., and Harriett A. Congdon, and they have one son: Robert N., born February 13, 1909.

**ROBERT T. CRONIN**—In transportation circles in Worcester county, Massachusetts, the name of Robert T. Cronin is a familiar one, and the genial and broad-minded train-master of the Union Depot is known to thousands who have never even heard his name. Mr. Cronin is a native of the State of Massachusetts, and was reared and educated in his native city of Gloucester. He is a son of Patrick Cronin, who was born in County Clare, Ireland, and came to this country as a young man, settling in Massachusetts, where throughout the remainder of his lifetime he was active as a gardner; he died in the year 1915. The mother, Winifred (Corbett) Cronin, was also born in County Clare, but died at an early age, in 1868.

Robert T. Cronin was born at Gloucester, Massachusetts, May 8, 1865. Following the completion of the common school course in the school of his birthplace, he thereafter learned telegraphy, and was active as an operator for about three years. From 1884 to 1890 he was in the employ of the Boston & Maine railroad, then, for two years, was identified with the Western Union Telegraph Company, after which he became train dispatcher on the Old Colony railroad, which was later taken over by the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. In 1901 Mr. Cronin was made chief dispatcher of the Taunton division, continuing in this position until 1912, when he became train-master, with offices at Taunton, Massachusetts. In these various positions of great responsibility Mr. Cronin has borne the part of an able and careful executive, and, with thousands of lives in his hands, he has at all times met his duties with the conscientious and commendable devotion to duty which have been of inestimable value both to the transportation companies with which he has been identified and to the general public. In political affairs Mr. Cronin is a supporter of the Republican party, but the nature of his duties has made it impossible for him to accept public responsibility along political lines. Fraternally he is identified with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, No. 29, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of Boston. He is a member of the Winthrop Street Baptist Church.

Mr. Cronin married, in 1886, Fannie A. Carter, of Gloucester, Massachusetts, daughter of Daniel and Sarah E. (Gaffney) Carter. Mr. and Mrs. Cronin are the parents of two daughters: Ethel C., a

graduate of Taunton High School and the Rhode Island Normal School, and now the wife of R. T. Haslam; and Helen V., a graduate of Taunton High School and Bristol County School of Business, and now the wife of C. L. Vanderwarker.

**GODFREY SANDERSON**—After thirty-five years of service in the employ of the Renfrew Manufacturing Company of Adams, Massachusetts, Godfrey Sanderson severed his connection with that concern and identified himself with the Pilgrim Mills of Fall River, of which he has been the efficient superintendent since 1914.

Mr. Sanderson is another of the many men of the textile industry in New England who are sons of experts in some department of that field of the manufacturing industry. His father, Godfrey Sanderson, was a native of Yorkshire, England, who came to this country and settled in Adams, Massachusetts, where for twenty-five years he was overseer of weaving in the employ of the Renfrew Manufacturing Company. Both the father and the mother, Jane (Stevenson) Sanderson, a native of Paisley, Scotland, are now deceased.

Godfrey Sanderson, who was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, October 21, 1861, received his education in the public schools of Adams, graduating from the high school with the class of 1878. Upon the completion of his high school course he entered the employ of the Renfrew Manufacturing Company, of which his brother was superintendent, and there he thoroughly learned the cotton manufacturing business. The concern was engaged in the manufacture of gingham, table cloths, fancy dress goods, etc., in Adams, and for fifteen years Mr. Sanderson served in the capacity of designer, and seven years served as superintendent of the plant. When he had completed thirty-five years of continuous service in the employ of this company, he made a change, and in October, 1914, removed to Fall River, Massachusetts, where he accepted a position as superintendent of the Pilgrim Mills of Fall River. That concern is engaged in the manufacture of voiles, repps, sateens, etc., and employs about 500 hands. To the work of superintendent of this plant Mr. Sanderson has brought experience, ability, energy, and a spirit of loyalty and faithfulness which are serving the firm well, and the value of the service rendered is fully appreciated. In addition to his business responsibilities Mr. Sanderson has always taken an active interest in local public affairs. He served as a member of the Board of Selectmen in Adams for six years, and for two years of that term served as chairman of the board. He also served as a member of the Volunteer Fire Department at Adams for thirty years, as secretary of that organization for fifteen years, and as foreman for two years. Politically he gives his support to no organized party, but casts his vote independently. For five years he served as a member of Company M, 2nd Massachusetts Regiment, in Adams. Fraternally he is affiliated with Lodge No. 487, Benevolent and Protective Order of

Elks, of North Adams, and his club is the Quechegan Club of Fall River. He takes an active interest in the affairs of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce.

On June, 1889, in Adams, Massachusetts, Godfrey Sanderson married Catherine MacLachlan, daughter of Donald and Agnes MacLachlan. Mr. and Mrs. Sanderson have no children.

**CHARLES P. RYAN, A.B., LL.B.**—A leading lawyer of Bristol county, Massachusetts, also active in the public service and further identified with the local advance as president of the Fall River Daily Globe Publishing Company, Charles P. Ryan is a noteworthy figure, and the interests of his life are estimable and well rounded. A native of this city, he is a son of Thomas Ryan, who was born in Ireland and went to England, where he was married. Thereafter he came to United States, locating in Fall River, Massachusetts, and followed his trade of blacksmith and horseshoer in this city until his death, which occurred January 2, 1922. The mother, Ann (Cuffe) Ryan, was also a native of Ireland, and went with her parents to England, where she met her husband. Accompanying him to this country not long after their marriage, which occurred in 1870, she was a resident of Fall River until her death, November 25, 1905.

Charles P. Ryan, son of these parents, was born at Fall River, July 14, 1872. His education was begun in the parochial and public schools of this city and he later entered Holy Cross College at Worcester, Massachusetts, from which he received his degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1897. Thereafter, entering Harvard University School of Law, he was graduated in the class of 1900 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, admitted to the bar of his native State in July of the latter year, and began practice within the month in Fall River. For two years he served in the office of John W. Cummings, who was at that time one of the foremost lawyers of this State. Mr. Ryan then formed a partnership with Henry F. Nickerson, under the firm name of Ryan & Nickerson, and this endured until July, 1906, since which time Mr. Ryan has practiced independently. Always deeply interested in the public life and in the community advance, Mr. Ryan was appointed assistant district attorney in June, 1917, and ably fulfilled the duties of this office until January, 1923. He has for some years also been associated with the business life of this city as president of the Fall River Daily Globe Publishing Company. The "Daily Globe" is one of the leading newspapers of Massachusetts, and its progressive policies and open-minded attitude toward all advance have done much for the advancement of the civic and social endeavors which form a part of present-day progress. Mr. Ryan's personal attitude, in a large measure, governs the policies of the paper, as the head of the corporation; thus in this activity, as well as professionally, he bears a part in local advance. Fraternally Mr. Ryan is identified with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent



Charles B. Ryan, A. B., LL. B.





and Protective Order of Elks, and is also a prominent member of the Knights of Columbus. His clubs are the Quequechan, the Narragansett and Fall River Yacht, and his religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart.

Mr. Ryan married, April 28, 1903, Elizabeth F. Garrahy of Fall River, and they are the parents of three children: Mary, a student at Elmhurst Academy at Providence, Rhode Island; Louise, attending B. M. C. Durfee High School at Fall River; and Charles G., a pupil at the Westall Grammar School.

**WALTER J. WEBB**—In one of the most vital of the public service corporations of Fall River, Walter J. Webb is a leading executive, as manager of the New England Telephone Company. Mr. Webb's entire active life has been spent in telephone work of one branch or another, and he is broadly familiar with all phases of this business. He is a son of Edward and Serena (Lockhart) Webb, his father a native of London, England, and his mother of Newport, Nova Scotia, where they were married. Edward Webb was for many years an officer in the English Government service, located at Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he had charge of the supplies in the commissary department of the British Royal Army. In the year 1877 Edward Webb came to the United States, locating at Laconia, New Hampshire, where he was placed in charge of the finishing department of the Laconia Car Works, in which connection he served some nineteen years. In the year 1897 he went to Boston as superintendent of the finishing department of the Boston Elevated Railway, and in that city he died in the year 1912, at the age of sixty-four years. The mother still survives him, at the age of sixty-eight years.

Walter J. Webb was born at Laconia, New Hampshire, November 14, 1878. He received his early education in the public schools of his birthplace, and was graduated from the Laconia High School in the class of 1897. During the senior year in high school Mr. Webb served as night operator at the Laconia telephone office, thereby making it possible for him to continue and complete his high school course. Laconia was then only a small exchange with less than one hundred subscribers, and no calls were made after ten o'clock p. m. beyond an emergency call. All subscribers being familiar with this rule, and knowing that Mr. Webb was attending school, made emergency calls with an apology, and his long evenings at the office gave him ample time to pursue his studies. Following his graduation from high school Mr. Webb went to Boston to attend what was known as the "Telephone Kindergarten." This was a school for instructing employees on the technical end of the telephone business, and during Mr. Webb's attendance here he devoted his Saturdays and evenings to this work, and his day hours to a course at the Burdette Business College. With this fine equipment, Mr. Webb was placed on the road by

the Telephone Company, on central office equipment installation work. In this capacity he served for two and one-half years, subsequently substituting as manager for a year and one-half during the absence of other managers of the system, covering vacation periods and illness. In the year 1903 Mr. Webb was made manager of the Dover-Rochester system, located at Dover, New Hampshire, where he remained until May 1, 1920, on which date he came to Fall River to take charge of this more important office, where he has increased the usefulness of the exchange and improved its efficiency, and as manager of the New England Telephone Company interest at Fall River he is counted as one of the largely useful and eminently successful men of the day in Bristol county, Massachusetts. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and while in Dover, New Hampshire, served on the City Council of Dover, acting as president of the body during the latter year of his term. He is interested in all civic and welfare advance, but the exactions of his position claim his time, and he has therefore accepted little public responsibility. Fraternally Mr. Webb is a member of Strafford Lodge, No. 29, Free and Accepted Masons, of Dover, New Hampshire, of which he is past master; Belknap Chapter, No. 8, Royal Arch Masons, of which he is past high priest; Orphan Council, No. 1, Royal and Select Masters, of Dover; St. Paul Commandery, No. 5, Knights Templar, also of Dover; and Bektash Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Concord, New Hampshire. He is a leading member of the Fall River Rotary Club.

Mr. Webb married, September 10, 1902, Harriet E. Richmond of Dover, New Hampshire, and they are the parents of one son, Frederick R., now a student at Fall River High School.

**CHARLES FRED STONE**—In the melancholy duty of caring for the dead, Charles Fred Stone of Attleboro, Massachusetts, is holding a leading position, and with his natural gifts and breadth of sympathy he is unusually well fitted for the work in which he is engaged. His training for his present profession was thoroughly comprehensive and he has now been active in this field of endeavor for upwards of a quarter of a century. Mr. Stone is a son of Charles E. Stone, who was born at Keene, New Hampshire, and died in 1903. The father was a jeweler by trade and a prominent and worthy citizen of Attleboro for many years. The mother, Louisa E. (Young) Stone, was born at Brompton, Canada, and is still (1923) living.

Charles Fred Stone was born in Attleboro, Massachusetts, August 19, 1881. His education was begun in the local public schools, his formal studies being completed with the end of the high school course. During the latter part of his attendance at high school Mr. Stone was employed on Saturdays and after school hours by David H. Smith, a leading undertaker of Attleboro at that time. In 1899 Mr. Stone became a regular employee and assistant of

Mr. Smith and remained with him until the year 1911. Mr. Stone then purchased the interest and has since carried it forward under his own name. The first location was on North Main street and he later removed to his present quarters at No. 11 Academy street, where he now has one of the most up-to-date establishments of its kind in Bristol county. With a handsome and extensive showroom and spacious quarters for all the departments of his work, he employs the most recent methods and discoveries in embalming, and is a leader in his field in this county. Politically Mr. Stone supports the Republican party, but the nature of his work precludes official activity of a public nature, although he gives the most cordial support to every worthy movement. He is a member of Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is widely prominent as a member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston; Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Attleboro; and Lodge No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of Attleboro. His clubs are the West Side and the Highland Country. His religious affiliation is with the Universalist church.

Mr. Stone married, in 1913, Esther M. Skillings of Oakland, Maine, daughter of Sylvester and Mary Skillings, her father a railroad man on the Maine Central railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Stone are the parents of two children: Frederick W., born April 3, 1915; and Patricia A., born March 29, 1921.

**CHARLES F. THOMPSON**—In the manufacture of paper boxes and in the general printing business Charles F. Thompson is one of the pioneers of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and with interests centering in Taunton stands at the head of a large and long established interests, which is constantly expanding and growing. A man of large ability and practical ideas, Mr. Thompson has been in business in an independent way for more than half a century, and is one of the venerable and highly honored figures in the business life of Taunton. He is a son of Julius and Bathsheba Thompson, and his father was a leading dentist of North Bridgewater and Taunton a generation or so ago. Julius Thompson was a man of extensive interests, always in close touch with every significant phase of life, and descended from early pioneer stock of Massachusetts, holding life membership in the Old Colony Historical Society. He attended the New Jerusalem Church. Charles F. Thompson was born at North Bridgewater, Massachusetts, December 22, 1852. His education was begun in the public schools of Taunton and was completed at Bristol Academy. As a young man Mr. Thompson was active in carpenter work for about three years, then in 1872 he established himself in business in Taunton as a printer. He was largely successful in his chosen

field of endeavor and with the passing of the years developed a very prosperous and important interest. He went forward under his own name until 1911, when he received as a partner his son, George F. Thompson, at the same time changing the name of the enterprise to the Taunton Paper Box Company. Coincidental with this change the business was expanded to include the manufacture of set up paper boxes, but the printing business was continued and the double interest has become largely important. For a short time the plant was removed to Raynham, Massachusetts, but in 1917 they returned to Taunton and since that time have occupied their present modern and finely equipped plant on Spring Lane. They occupy the entire building, employing upwards of fifteen people, and operate within a radius of twenty miles. In 1922 they bought out the business of the Prudential Paper Box Company of Fall River, Massachusetts, and at the present time are the only manufacturers specializing in this style of paper boxes in Taunton. Fraternally he is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry. He religious affiliation is with the New Jerusalem Church.

Mr. Thompson married, in 1874, Lizzie H. Henry of Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are the parents of four children: Bertha B., George F., and Charles A., and Roscoe H.

George F. Thompson, who has been identified with the above business throughout his career, and has been a partner for the past twelve years, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, November 10, 1879, and was educated in the local public schools. He now holds large executive responsibility in the business, and his efforts are counting definitely for its growth and expansion. He is prominent in the work of the Patrons of Husbandry, having held all offices in the local grange, including that of master.

**JAMES BULLOUGH KERR**—As agent of the Kerr mills of the American Thread Company of Fall River, Massachusetts, James B. Kerr holds a broadly prominent position in this industry in the United States, and his prominence in this connection is another chapter in the progress of thread manufacture on both sides of the Atlantic. Born and reared in Scotland and in the traditions of the thread industry, Mr. Kerr has known no other interest, and few men are better informed or more capable executives in this special field, for he has made it his life work. Mr. Kerr is a son of Robert and Margaret (Bullough) Kerr, both natives of Scotland, where they lived and died. Robert Kerr was a member of the internationally celebrated firm of thread manufacturers of Paisley, Scotland, Kerr & Company, Ltd. Robert Kerr was a vital factor in the development of the concern in Scotland and also in the expansion of the business and its establishment in the United States. It was largely through his efforts that an extensive market for the Kerr threads was developed in the United States, and he founded the first American



branch of this concern in Newark, New Jersey, in the year 1885. Seven years later, in 1892, Robert Kerr built extensive mills in Fall River, Massachusetts, and removing the plant from Newark to this city developed the present great industry, carrying it forward under the name of the Kerr Thread Company.

James Bullough Kerr was born in Paisley, Scotland, January 13, 1872. His education was begun at the Paisley grammar schools, and he later attended Marlborough College at Marlborough, England, after which he returned to his native city to associate himself with his father in the Kerr mills. Active for four years in this connection, he gained a broadly practical familiarity with the business at the long established plant in Paisley, then in the year 1893 he was chosen to come to the United States and take over an executive position in the American branch. Here he familiarized himself not only with the management of the business, but with the manufacturing activities as well, learning the various departments by the method of experience in each, and gaining a thoroughly comprehensive knowledge of the plant. In 1895 Mr. Kerr was made a member of the firm and a director of the company, then in 1898 the business had reached such importance that the concern was sought by the American Thread Company with proposals for consolidation. After mature consideration these proposals were accepted and the Kerr Thread Company was amalgamated with the American Thread Company. The Fall River plant has since been operated as the Kerr mills of the American Thread Company, Mr. Kerr acting as agent and executive head of the Kerr plant. These mills are a great and splendidly equipped plant and form one of the most important industries of Fall River, in their present relation to the American Thread Company forming a part of one of the most important business concerns in the United States. In his affiliation with the American Thread Company Mr. Kerr is numbered among the most prominent industrial executives of Bristol county, and indeed of New England. He has few interests outside his business, but is a member of the Fall River Country Club and the Quequechan Club. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Kerr married, June 16, 1912, Harriet Annie Swinbank of Harrogate, Yorkshire, England. Mr. and Mrs. Kerr are the parents of one child, Bertha Margaret.

**HAROLD ROBINSON HALL**—One of the beautiful and attractive mercantile enterprises of Taunton, Massachusetts, is the florist shop at No. 4 Main street, which is owned and personally managed by Harold Robinson Hall, whose experience in the business and natural adaptability for it places this commercial interest in a high position in Taunton. Mr. Hall is a son of Herbert E. Hall, who was born in Bristol county, Massachusetts. He has been in the continuous service of the Atlas Tack Company, of Taunton, for a period of fifty-five

years, making him one of the oldest employees in the State in point of continuous service. The mother, Emily A. (Dean) Hall, was born at Raynham, Massachusetts, was a descendant of one of the oldest families in Bristol county, and died in November, 1921.

Harold Robinson Hall was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, April 23, 1888. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he attended Fairhaven High School and completed his studies at the New Hampshire State Agricultural School, from which he was graduated in 1907. His first experience in the business world was in Fairhaven, where he was employed as a florist from 1907 until 1914. He then came to Taunton and opened his present business at No. 4 Main street, where he has remained continuously since. Mr. Hall's training in horticulture in Fairhaven was along thoroughly practical lines, as a grower of flowers, and he has always been a student of the technical phases of this business, and his present success has thus been the result of intense and ceaseless effort. The added assets of an affable and courteous manner have naturally counted much for his success in the commercial branch in which he is now engaged, and "Hall, the Florist," as he is now widely known, is considered a leader in Bristol county in his chosen field of endeavor. In political affairs, Mr. Hall supports the Republican party, but has been too busy to accept public responsibilities, even had he cared for the honors of office. During the World War he served for a short time at Fort Slocum, and during the entire period of the war bore a constructive part in every branch of home activity. Fraternally he is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; also Sabbatia Lodge and Encampment, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, also the Rebeccas. He is a member of the Eastern Star. He is further a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, the National Florists' Association, and the Auto Club. His religious affiliation is with the Winston Congregational Church.

Mr. Hall married, in 1919, Jeannette S. Cahoon, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of David and Christina (McCall) Cahoon, the father a native of Taunton, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Hall are the parents of two children: Barbara, born October, 1920; and Althea, born October, 1922.

**DAVID REUBEN RADOVSKY, A.B., A.M., LL.B.**—Esteemed as one of the foremost trial lawyers in southeastern Massachusetts, David Reuben Radovsky holds a leading position in legal circles in Bristol county, and his attainments reflect great credit upon him. Mr. Radovsky is a son of Bernard and Bessie (Feinberg) Radovsky, both natives of Russia. The father came to the United States in 1881 to prepare for the coming of his little family, and located at once in Fall River, Massachusetts, where he engaged in mercantile pursuits.

He eventually established himself in an independent grocery business, and the family joined him in 1885. He became largely successful, developing his business interests, which finally were turned over to his son, Joseph Radovsky, who confined his attention along wholesale lines, and for years the business has been known as the National Wholesale Grocery Company, being a leading house in this field. He died May 3, 1922, but the mother is still living and resides in Fall River.

David Reuben Radovsky was born in Russia, April 2, 1880. His education was begun in the public schools of Fall River, and he is a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School in the class of 1898. Later entering Harvard University, he received from that institution both the Bachelor's and Master's degree in the arts, his graduation occurring with the class of 1902. He received the Bachelor's degree in the law upon his graduation from Harvard University Law School in the class of 1905. Meanwhile, he passed the law examinations and was admitted to the bar in September of the previous year, entering upon the practice of his chosen profession in Fall River. Mr. Radovsky's career has been one of marked significance to the public. His success carried him steadily higher as a trial attorney and in 1919 he was admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court, then, in 1922, in the United States District Court. Meanwhile, during the years 1920 and 1921, he served as special consul for the city of Fall River and one of his achievements in this connection was the winning of the present location for the Tuberculosis Hospital, which was strongly opposed by the people of this vicinity, since it now stands within the residential district. In such high standing is Mr. Radovsky held in Bristol county that thus far in 1923 he has been retained as either prosecutor or defender on more than half the cases docketed in Fall River and fully half those in the county outside of this city. His progressive attitude toward all advance and his careful attention to detail place him among the lawyers whose work is advancing the cause of justice. Mr. Radovsky's time is almost wholly devoted to his professional work, but he is a member of Concord Lodge, No. 174, Knights of Pythias, and a member of the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith.

Mr. Radovsky married, June 1, 1909, Minnie E. Simon, who was a resident of Fall River at that time, but was born in New York City. They are the parents of nine children: Doris Pearl; Lester Simon; Rita Miriam; Everett Simon; Joseph S., the foregoing attending the Fall River schools; Claire; Isabelle; Avis, and Bernard.

**H. WILLIAM RADOVSKY, A. B., LL.B.**—Successful in his chosen profession of the law, with offices in the Hudner building, Fall River, Massachusetts, where he is associated with his elder brother, David Reuben Radovsky (see preceding sketch), H. William Radovsky is numbered among the broadly promising young men of today in pro-

fessional circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts. Trained in some of the foremost institutions in the East and standing very high in his scholarship, Mr. Radovsky has entered the field well equipped for the exaction and responsibilities of the profession. He is a son of Bernard and Bessie (Feinberg) Radovsky, natives of Russia, who came to the United States in the eighties, the father settling here in 1881, four years prior to the arrival of his family, and establishing himself in the grocery business. His death occurred May 3, 1922. The mother still survives him, and she is a resident of Fall River.

H. William Radovsky was born at Fall River, February 1, 1895. His education was begun in the local public schools and he is a graduate of B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1913. His choice of a profession was early made and he entered Harvard University for his course in the liberal arts. He was a *cum laude* graduate of the class of 1917, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He received his degree of Bachelor of Laws from the same institution in 1919 and it is of interest to note that during his law course in 1918 and 1919 he served as editor on the Harvard "Law Review," Volume 32. Admitted to the bar of his native State in September, 1919, Mr. Radovsky immediately became associated with his brother, David Reuben Radovsky, in the offices which they still occupy. H. William Radovsky is displaying the same qualities of mind and spirit which have carried his brother to a leading position in the profession and much is expected of the younger man in the future. His personal equipment, his mental ability, and his discerning outlook upon life fit him for broad and prominently useful service, and he has already demonstrated his ability in no uncertain manner. He is considered one of the ablest of the younger attorneys in Bristol county. Fraternally, Mr. Radovsky is affiliated with Fall River Lodge, No. 884, Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, of which he is past president; also of Concord Lodge, No. 171, Knights of Pythias, of Fall River. He is a member of the Young Men's Hebrew Association; the American Brothers of Israel; and the Harvard Club of Fall River. In social circles and in the many benevolences of the day he is well known, and he is playing a useful and commendable part in the various lines of community advancement in Fall River.

**JAMES FRANCIS MOONEY**—Joseph Francis Mooney, born in Lonsdale, Rhode Island, in 1865, died in Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1912. He was engaged in various business enterprises, was a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, 1894-1907 inclusive, and in his younger years was a member of the local military company. He married Isabel O'Neill, born at Fall River in 1867, and yet (1923) resides in that city. Among their seven children was a son, James Francis, to whom this review is inscribed.

James F. Mooney was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 10, 1896, and there was educated







*Timothy P. Sweeney*

in the public schools, completing the first two years of the high school course. He then served four years as an apprentice to the carpenter's trade under A. W. McGuillan, a Fall River contractor and builder, remaining with him as a journeyman two years more. He then entered the employ of the J. G. White Company of New York, by whom he was sent to Langley Field in Virginia, remaining two and one-half years as carpenter, and superintendent of road construction during the last three years, when the field was under government control. He then returned to Fall River, where for two years he was in charge of the carpenter work at the New England Oil Refining Plant. In July, 1921, he began business as a contracting builder under his own name, with offices in the Granite Block, and a plant on Cambridge street for the manufacture of interlocking concrete blocks. He has been very successful in his building operations, erecting about fifteen houses, principally in the New Boston road section during the first year. He does general construction work, houses, concrete garages, etc., and has just begun work on his largest contract; the James M. Aldrich School, a twelve room building.

Mr. Mooney is a Democrat in politics, a member of the Roman Catholic church; Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Knights of Columbus. He is unmarried, his home No. 187 Whipple street, Fall River.

**REV. TIMOTHY P. SWEENEY**—From the earliest settlement of Bristol county, Massachusetts, the church has gone hand in hand with industrial and professional advance, keeping the faces of the people ever turned toward higher endeavors and nobler achievements, and now, in this present generation, the church still holds her supremacy. Rev. Father Timothy P. Sweeney, as pastor of St. Louis' Roman Catholic Church, is doing much for the continued progress of the people and the constant betterment of conditions among them. Father Sweeney is a native of this State, and is a son of John and Hannah (Murphy) Sweeney, both natives of Ireland, who came to this country in their youth, he in 1863 and she two years previously. Both families settling in Bristol county, at North Easton, the young man secured employment at the plant of the Ames Shovel Works, where he was active for about forty-five years. He died in 1908, at the age of seventy-one years, while the mother survived him until 1921, passing away at the age of eighty-three years.

Father Sweeney was born at North Easton, Massachusetts, November 27, 1870. His education was begun in the local institutions, and he later entered Boston College, after which he studied theology at St. John's Seminary at Brighton, Massachusetts, where he was ordained to the holy priesthood in December, 1901, by the Most Rev. Archbishop Williams. Father Sweeney's first appointment was at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church of Fall River, Massachusetts, where he was active as assistant pastor for a period of three years. He

was then transferred to St. Mary's Church in Taunton, Massachusetts, where he served for a similar period as assistant pastor. He was then appointed supervisor of diocesan charities, which exacting and broadly useful position he filled with efficiency and ability for five and one-half years. He bought the plot for the present Bethlehem Home for Infants, which he established. He was then appointed to St. Louis' Parish at Fall River as their pastor and he has since presided over this congregation, devoting his energies tirelessly to the welfare of the church, leading, admonishing, and guiding the people, and helping them to even higher levels of spiritual attainment. He has done much to improve and beautify the church property. Father Sweeney is greatly beloved in his congregation, and the people are going forward constantly in the work of the church under his leadership.

**JOHN O'HEARNE**—Ripened experience and the consciousness of public duty well performed—these comprise the need of long effort and ceaseless attention to the details of many branches of activity, these and the universal esteem and appreciation of the people for whose interests John O'Hearne has labored. Mr. O'Hearne has given the best years of his life to the public service and to that branch of individual enterprise which, perhaps, most closely concerns the welfare of the people and the permanence of the American home and family—real estate and insurance. In this field Mr. O'Hearne is a leading figure, still active, although he has reached an age when many men feel that their life-work is done. Mr. O'Hearne is a son of John O'Hearne, who was born in County Cork, Ireland, and came to the United States as a young man, settling in Boston, Massachusetts, where he reared his family in the traditions of thrift and industry and in the fear of God. He was a stone mason by trade, and died in April, 1895. The mother, Bridget (Finnegan) O'Hearne, was born in County Meath, Ireland, and died in 1874.

John O'Hearne was born in the city of Boston, Massachusetts, October 8, 1850. His early education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, and at the Old Elliott School, of Boston. At the age of eighteen years the young man came to Taunton, and entered the employ of the Reed & Barton Silver Works, in the silver-plating department, where he remained for a period of sixteen years. He then entered the business world in an independent way, opening a retail shoe store at No. 18 City Square. Going forward along this line under the firm name of John O'Hearne & Company, he later removed to No. 2 City Square, and was engaged in this commercial field altogether for about sixteen years. In 1903, with this excellent and practical business experience, through which he had gained a very extensive acquaintance among the people of Taunton and its environs, Mr. O'Hearne went into the real estate business, also acting as an insurance agent and broker. During the next eleven years Mr. O'Hearne did much for

the development of various sections of the city, and some of the finer suburbs owe a large share of their beauty and charm to his foresight and appreciation of the natural beauty of the tracts on which they were built. His encouragement of home ownership among the working people has aided greatly in the development of these suburbs. In 1914 Mr. O'Hearne laid aside these prosperous and steadily-growing interests to accept the office of postmaster of Taunton, in which he served faithfully and well for a period of eight years. During this time great satisfaction was expressed upon every side, and his counsel is still frequently sought by those now in office.

Always a loyal adherent of the principles of the Democratic party, Mr. O'Hearne was first brought forward in the public service in 1882 as a member of the Common Council from Ward Eight, and he served for three successive years. In 1886 he was elected to the Board of Aldermen from the same ward, serving during the years 1886-87-88, and later was elected to the same board from Ward Three, serving during the years 1894-95-96. In 1901 Mr. O'Hearne was elected mayor of Taunton, serving one term only, but doing eminently useful work of permanent significance in this office. His election was a criterion of his popularity as a citizen, for he is the only man ever elected to the mayoralty of Taunton as a strong party Democrat. From 1906-08, inclusive, he was a member of the Board of Health; also served on various committees and boards; was chairman of the Fire Department Commission which erected two new stations, one at Weir and the other at Whittenton; and in many ways he bore a leading part in the activities of that period. He has since given his influence to every branch of public advance, although for the past fifteen years the postmastership is the only public office which he has accepted. His endeavors have been no less marked in all that counts for party progress, and he has been a delegate to the Democratic State conventions twelve times and twice to national conventions. Fraternally, Mr. O'Hearne is prominent as a member of Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of which he was secretary for four years; and is a prominent member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, being president of the local lodge and for eight years county president. He is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. O'Hearne married (first) in June, 1876, Susan C. McSorley, who died in 1902. He married (second) in June, 1904, Mary E. Maxwell, daughter of Michael and Bridget (Campbell) Maxwell, of Taunton, and they are the parents of three children: Mary B., born in May, 1905; John A., born in May, 1906; and George S., born in November, 1907. The two older children are graduates of St. Mary's High School, and the youngest is still (1923) a student there.

**JOSEPH EDSON NUTE**—As manager of the Fall River Gas Works Company for the past thirty-

three years, Mr. Nute has filled an important place in Fall River's business life and has become widely known as an expert in gas manufacture and distribution. He has been connected with the manufacturing, storage and distribution of gas since 1885, and since 1890 has made Fall River his home and the Fall River Gas Works Company his chief business interest. The success of that company as a business corporation has been the result of wise management in all departments, and as manager Mr. Nute has had a large share in determining company policies.

Mr. Nute traces descent from an English ancestry, the first of the name in New England being James Nute, who came in 1631 to Portsmouth, but soon settled in Dover, New Hampshire, where he was one of the signers of the Dover Combination of 1640. The old homestead farm he there acquired is still held in the family name.

A descendant of James Nute, the founder, born in Poland, Maine, was of the eighth generation from James, and Orsamus Nute, resident of South Woodstock, Maine, where he married for a second wife Lovina D. Davis, and some time after the birth of his son, Joseph Edson Nute, removed to Boston, Massachusetts, the date being April, 1865. There he engaged in a general contracting business, and became prominently identified with the constructive activities of his day. He was born April 14, 1820, and died September 12, 1907, aged eighty-six years and five months, his wife dying at the early age of forty-six years. Mr. Nute was a man well known and popular.

Joseph Edson Nute, son of Orsamus and Lovina D. (Davis) Nute, was born in South Woodstock, Maine, September 3, 1863, but in April, 1865, Boston, Massachusetts, became the family home, and there he was educated. He was a student in the Rice Grammar School, English High School, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, graduating from the last-named institution with the degree of S. B., class of 1885. Soon after graduation he entered the employ of the United Gas Improvement Company, of Philadelphia, and was placed in charge of the construction of masonry gas-holder tanks, of which he built three, one each in Omaha, Nebraska, Allentown, Pennsylvania, and Lewiston, Maine. In March, 1887, he became superintendent of distribution for the Jersey City plant of the United Gas Improvement Company, there remaining until 1890. With those five years of practical experience to reinforce his technical education, Mr. Nute, in April, 1890, came to Fall River as manager of the gas works plant, and in that capacity he has spent the thirty-three years that have since intervened. These years have brought him high reputation in his line of business, and in the organizations pertaining to the gas business, he is an authority whose opinions carry the weight of an authority. He is a member of the American Gas Association; the New England Gas Association (a former vice-president); and the Guild of Gas Managers, of which he is an ex-president. He has



been for nine years treasurer of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce; member of the Rotary Club; member of the executive committee of the Fall River chapter of the American Red Cross since its organization; member of the Council of Boy Scouts, and chairman of the camp committee of that organization; and a member of the Quequechan Club. In politics he is normally a Republican.

Mr. Nute married, May 30, 1887, Harriet Gove Wilkins, of Boston, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of five children: 1. Helen, a graduate of Mt. Holyoke College, who married Arthur G. Wadsworth, a wholesale dealer in confectionery at Fall River. 2. Raymond Edson, a graduate of Amherst Agricultural College, now manager of Kentucky Orchards Company, Valley Station, Kentucky. 3. Warren Wilkins, now a cashier of the New Bedford Gas and Edison Light Company, New Bedford, Massachusetts. 4. Alden Davis, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, class of 1917, now a chemical engineer, associated with the American Printing Company, of Fall River. 5. Katharine, a graduate of Sargent School of Physical Culture, Cambridge, Massachusetts, now head guardian of the Camp Fire Girls of Fall River.

**HARRY GOULD GIESOW**—From his early entrance into the business world at the age of fifteen years Mr. Giesow has followed the one pursuit. He began at the foot of the ladder of success, mounting rung by rung as he mastered the details of his following, and while still a young man was enabled to buy out the branch of the concern for whom he had become manager, which he has successfully expanded and run as his own business.

Harry Gould Giesow was born May 1, 1881, in Kings county, New York, son of William Henry and Agnes M. (Curnow) Giesow, the mother born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1854, died in 1891; the father, native of Allentown, Pennsylvania, born in 1856, died in 1913. The latter was a manufacturer of jewelry in New York, and his son, Harry Gould Giesow, was the youngest of three brothers, having also three sisters. He was educated in the public schools, and at the age of fifteen years entered the cotton brokerage office of George H. Rhodes & Company of New York, as a clerk. In 1912 he came to Fall River as the agent for this company which had maintained an office here since 1890, and shortly after, within the same year, he bought out this branch, also purchasing the large four-story brick building at No. 120-126 Third street. He has pursued successfully the cotton, cloth and yarn brokerage business here, and for several years past three floors of this building have been occupied by the Fall River Continuation School. Mr. Giesow having carried his business to success, has also been interested in the civic welfare of his town, and has been called upon to be an officer in many corporations. He is treasurer of the Radio Motion Picture and Phone Corporation, a half-million dollar concern, having their executive offices in the same building. He is a member of the Chamber

of Commerce, the Quequechan Club and the Fall River Country Club; he also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks through Brooklyn Lodge No. 22; is a Republican in politics, and a member of the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Giesow is unmarried.

**GEORGE ALBERT RICHMOND**—Prominent as an executive in the production of monuments and memorials in Taunton, Massachusetts, George Albert Richmond has been identified with this branch of endeavor throughout his active career, and his training and experience are counting not only for his own success, but for the progress and prosperity of the concern with which he is associated. Mr. Richmond is a native of the State of Rhode Island, and a son of Albert L. Richmond, who was born in Washington Village, Rhode Island, where several generations of the family have resided, and three generations have been active in monumental work. Albert L. Richmond now stands at the head of a large business in this field at Washington Village at the present time. The mother, Mary I. (Quinn) Richmond, who was born in Boston, is also still living.

George Albert Richmond was born at Washington Village, Rhode Island, May 17, 1887. His education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace, and after completing his studies, he became associated with his father in the monumental works. The young man learned the business in every detail, becoming an expert in this field, and possessing no small artistic ability, he won wide recognition in the trade. Remaining with his father until the year 1916, Mr. Richmond then accepted an offer from the John R. Richards Company, and came to Taunton as agent in charge of their monumental works in this city. This company, which is frequently mentioned as one of the largest if not the largest in New England of its kind, was established in the year 1887, and deals in the finished product of all kinds of memorials for the cemetery. With quarries at Quincy, Massachusetts, and Brookline, New Hampshire, they have branches in Providence, Rhode Island, Malden, Massachusetts, also Brookfield and New Bedford, Massachusetts. The interests of this concern center in Taunton, where the firm was first located on Weir street, then on Cedar street, the business growing to such an extent that constant expansion was necessary. Since 1917 they have been at the present location at No. 225 Broadway. Mr. Richmond's energy and ability are counting far for the progress of the organization, and under his management the company is turning out work of great excellence, both from the viewpoint of the artisan and of the artist as well. He is interested in all that pertains to the general welfare and advance, but although a supporter of the Republican party in political affairs, he has never permitted his name to be brought forward in connection with candidacy for any public office. Interested in agricultural progress, he is affiliated with the Taunton Grange, Patrons of Husbandry,

and Taunton Lodge of Elks. His leisure is spent in his home, among his books and with his family.

Mr. Richmond married, in 1906, Mary A. Buxton, of Providence, Rhode Island, daughter of Charles and Mary (Mathew) Buxton, both also natives of that city and prominent people there. Mr. and Mrs. Richmond have two children: Blythe G., born in 1908; and Albert F., born in 1909. The family are members of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, of Taunton.

**WALTER GLADSTONE MOON**—Among the younger business executives of Attleboro, Massachusetts, Walter Gladstone Moon is a broadly noteworthy figure as secretary of the Walter E. Hayward Company, manufacturing jewelers of this city. Mr. Moon is a son of Robert and Anna (Livesley) Moon, both natives of England, but for many years residents of Attleboro, the father active as a jeweler.

Walter Gladstone Moon was born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, January 22, 1893. His early education was acquired in the public and high schools of his native State and he was graduated from the Attleboro High School in the class of 1911. Thereafter entering Northeastern University, College of Finance of Providence, Rhode Island, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1923 with the degree of Bachelor of Commercial Science. Mr. Moon's first business experience was in the employ of the Watson Company of Attleboro, in their shipping department, and after a period of activity in that connection he was transferred to the Thomae Company, a subsidiary of that concern, and was active in the offices of these two organizations for a period of four years. In the year 1915 Mr. Moon entered the employ of the Walter E. Hayward Company of Attleboro in the capacity of bookkeeper and office manager. On January 1, 1921, when this concern was incorporated, Mr. Moon was elected secretary, and this position he still ably fills. He is giving to the work of this position the energy and ability which have carried him to his present level of achievement, and he is counted a definite factor in the progress of the enterprise. Mr. Moon is a veteran of the World War, having enlisted in the medical department of the United States Army, in which he served for one year, then was transferred to the finance department at the 5th Division Headquarters. He saw several months of service overseas and received his honorable discharge July 29, 1919, with the rank of sergeant first class. Mr. Moon supports the Republican party in political matters, but has never thus far sought nor accepted the honors of public office. He is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce and fraternally is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and his college fraternity is the Pi Tau Kappa. He is also a member of the Highland Country Club, the Young Men's Christian Association, and the American Legion, a mem-

ber of the executive committee. His religious affiliation is with the First Baptist Church, of which he is a member of the finance committee.

**JAMES B. KELLEY**—Born in Fall River, where he has spent his lifetime and where for twenty-seven years he has held the responsible position of chief clerk of the street department, James B. Kelley is one of the best known men of this city, and as a lawyer and public servant he is contributing in a marked degree to the progress of the municipality. Mr. Kelley is a son of Michael B. and Elizabeth G. (Kelley) Kelley, the father a native of Waterford, Ireland, and the mother a native of England, both having come to the United States as children of perhaps five years, with their parents, and both families settling in Fall River. The paternal grandfather, William Kelley, and the maternal grandfather, James Kelly, were employed in the cotton mills throughout their lifetime. Michael B. Kelley, father of James B. Kelley, was for many years overseer in the local cotton mills, but later was engaged in the grocery business, in which he was very successful, and died in 1906. His widow is still (1923) living, aged nearly eighty years.

James B. Kelley was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, December 3, 1871. His education was received in the local public schools, and at about fifteen years of age he apprenticed himself to the printer's trade. After completing his apprenticeship he worked as a journeyman printer for about two years, then entered the office of the street department of the city of Fall River, in the capacity of clerk. Only a year later Mr. Kelley was made chief clerk of this department and has since continuously filled that responsible position. In 1903, the further to equip himself for efficiency and usefulness in the public service, Mr. Kelley began the reading of law in the offices of Jennings, Morton & Brayton, and completed his legal studies at the evening classes at the Fall River School of Law. In the year 1906 Mr. Kelley passed the examinations of the State board and was admitted to the bar of Massachusetts, but he has never taken up the practice of this profession, choosing to use this added knowledge in the official duties which he has so long filled, and in this connection finding his legal knowledge of inestimable value. It is only stating a truism to say that his added efficiency has been the means of much good to the people in the conduct of the affairs of this office. Mr. Kelley is universally esteemed in Fall River, both among his associates and contemporaries in public life and among the people. He has few interests outside of his work, but is a member of the Knights of Columbus and the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Name.

Mr. Kelley married, September 21, 1896, Louisa J. McKenney of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley are the parents of five children: Gertrude L., a graduate of Bridgewater State Normal School, class of 1918, and now a teacher in the Robeson School of Fall River; Mary F., a graduate of Trinity Col-



lege, class of 1920, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, now a teacher in the Henry Lord, Junior High School; James B., Jr., a graduate of Holy Cross College of Worcester, Massachusetts, degree of Bachelor of Arts, class of 1923, now a freshman in Harvard Law School; Helena A., a student at St. Elizabeth's College at Convent, Morris county, New Jersey; and Paul M., a graduate of St. Anselina's Preparatory School at Manchester New Hampshire, now a freshman at Holy Cross College.

**LUTHER B. HOARD**—The industrial activities of Bristol county, Massachusetts, are finding in the enterprise of which Luther B. Hoard is the head a force contributing materially to their advance in the way of packages for the distribution of their products. Mr. Hoard is manufacturing corrugated and other paper boxes on a very considerable scale, and as the founder and sole owner of this business is bearing a definite and useful part in the business progress of this section. Mr. Hoard is a son of David L. and Rhoda V. (Pierce) Hoard, both natives of Myricks, Massachusetts, the father for many years a locomotive engineer in the employ of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad.

Luther B. Hoard was born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, October 28, 1893. Securing his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1912, and thereafter took a special three years' course in the textile school in Fall River. Then, when he had scarcely entered upon his career, he turned from his personal interests to enlist in the United States Navy in 1917. He was assigned to duty at Newport, Rhode Island, as hospital yeoman, and spent twenty-five months in the service, receiving his honorable discharge in the year 1920 as second class pharmacist's mate. On returning to civilian life Mr. Hoard established his present interests, beginning the manufacture of corrugated and other paper boxes under the firm name of the American Corrugated and Paper Box Company, located in East Taunton, Massachusetts. Mr. Hoard's interests occupy an entire building, and his product is principally absorbed in the nearby towns and cities. From a small start this business was more than tripled in the first years' output and has constantly grown. Mr. Hoard is now planning to make extensive additions to his plant in order to accommodate the continued increase. As the head and owner of this interest he stands among the really significant business executives of this vicinity and his work is contributing to the general progress. In political matters he supports the Republican party, but has few interests outside of the above enterprise. Fraternally he is identified with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and his religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Hoard married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, June 26, 1920, Leila Padelford of East Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Frank and Esther (Rounseville) Padelford, both natives of East Taunton, Massachusetts. The father, who was a butcher

by occupation, died in 1921, but the mother passed away in 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Hoard are the parents of one daughter, Esther P., born in March, 1921.

**THOMAS WOOD LAWTON**—A forceful and efficient executive in the textile industry throughout his active lifetime, Thomas Wood Lawton has been connected with the Manhasset Manufacturing Company of Taunton, Massachusetts, for the past three years, and having come to this position from other important mills in New England and Canada, he has taken up his studies here with invaluable experience behind him, as well as with the natural ability of a thorough-going business man. A native of England, Mr. Lawton has been on this side of the Atlantic since the age of nine years. He is the son of John and Elizabeth (Heywood) Wood, both natives of Oldham, England. The father, who was identified with the mill industry during the greater part of his life and rose to the position of superintendent, died at a comparatively early age in 1892, the mother surviving him for many years and passing away in 1916.

Thomas Wood Lawton was born at Oldham, England, August 3, 1883. Coming to the United States in 1892, he later went to Canada for a period and attended the public schools of Montreal, and also took a course at Ward & White's Business School at Montreal. His first experience in the industrial world was in the employ of the Merchant Cotton Mills at Montreal, and after a few years of experience in that connection he went to Baltic, Connecticut, where he was identified with the Baltic Mills for ten years. His next connection was with the Lawton Mills at Plainfield, Connecticut, where he served as overseer for six years. Thereafter going to Pawtucket, Rhode Island, as representative for the Howard & Bullough Machine Company, he next went to Shawenegan Falls, Quebec, Canada, as superintendent of the Shawenegan Falls Cotton Company, continuing in this capacity until 1920. At that time Mr. Lawton came to Taunton to accept the position of superintendent of the Manhasset Manufacturing Company, one of the foremost concerns in its field in this section. Here Mr. Lawton has under his supervision about five hundred employees, and as an able and broadly capable executive, his work is contributing in a marked degree to the continued prosperity and growth of this great concern. Mr. Lawton is a Republican by political faith but has never accepted the honors or responsibilities of office. Fraternally he is a member of Barney Merry Lodge, No. 29, Free and Accepted Masons, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island; also a member of Pawtucket Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. His religious affiliation is with St. Thomas' Episcopal Church.

Mr. Lawton married, in June, 1908, Jennie Wain, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, daughter of John and Anna (Barlow) Wain, of Pawtucket. Mr. and Mrs. Lawton have three children: Ronald W., born in October, 1910; Dorothy May, born in August, 1913; and Carl Heywood, born in May, 1918.



**MICHAEL JAMES ORPEN**—As a leading attorney-at-law of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Michael James Orpen is a noteworthy figure in professional circles, having won his way to his position in the legal world entirely through his own efforts. As clerk of the Second District Court of Bristol county for nearly nine years, Mr. Orpen is bearing a broadly practical and noteworthy part in the general advance, and is filling the duties of an exacting position in the public service. He is a member of a family of seafaring men and his grandfather was drowned at sea when his father was an infant. The widow came to the United States with an uncle and reared her son in American traditions, educating him to the best of her ability and training him in the sturdy manly qualities and virtues. Michael Orpen, her son, was born in Ireland, and the mother settling in Fall River, Massachusetts, he was educated in the public schools of this city. He was for many years a mill operative but in later life he was an employee of the city. He died April 1, 1917. Michael Orpen married Mary Leary, who was also born in Ireland, and came to this country in her childhood with her parents. She still (1923) survives him, at the age of sixty-eight years.

Michael James Orpen was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 26, 1881. His education was begun in the Fall River public schools and he later attended the Fall River Evening High School. Meanwhile, as early as his tenth year, Mr. Orpen was active as a wage earner, selling newspapers on the street and later working in a grocery store. He also worked as a bell-boy in a hotel, picked strawberries during the fruit season, and did anything to turn an honest penny. During these years, however, Mr. Orpen did not fail to appreciate the advantages of educational work, and eventually succeeded in covering his legal course at the Fall River Evening Law School. It was not until his marriage, however, that Mr. Orpen took up the study of law. During his law studies he supported his family as owner of a grocery store, and after his admission to the bar on March 1, 1912, he opened his law office in the Borden Block, one year later removing to the Granite Block, where he maintained his office until the time of his appointment to the public service by Governor David J. Walsh, which occurred December 24, 1914. Mr. Orpen's subsequent reappointment as clerk of the Second District Court of Bristol county was received from Calvin A. Coolidge, now President of the United States, when he was governor of Massachusetts. He has served continuously in this office since his original appointment, and has done much to forward the work placed in his hands, and his efficiency in this position has made him one of the broadly useful men of the day in Bristol county. Mr. Orpen is a member of Fall River Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, also of the Knights of Columbus, and attends Saint Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

Michael James Orpen married, June 6, 1904,

Elizabeth A. Altham of Fall River, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of three children: Robert M., a graduate of the B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1923; Mary, now a junior in the B. M. C. Durfee High School; and Anna, still in grammar school.

**RICHARD BORDEN CHACE**—With broad practical experience in various phases of the textile industry, Richard Borden Chace stands among the leading executives of the city of Fall River, and in his official capacity as general manager and treasurer of the Shawmut Mills he is devoting his splendid energies to local industrial advance. Mr. Chace is interested in many branches of progressive thought and effort, and his influence bears weight in the right direction.

Tracing his ancestry back to early pioneer days in New England, old records name William Chace the founder of this family in America. William Chace came with his wife, Mary, and his son, William, to the new world west of the Atlantic, with Governor Winthrop and his little colony of courageous men and women in 1630. Settling with this colony at Roxbury, William Chace later removed to Yarmouth, Massachusetts, where his death finally occurred. The various families of Chace and Chace whose activities have meant much to New England and to States farther westward as well, trace back to this sturdy, God-fearing pioneer. Leonard Chace, in direct line from William Chace (I) settled in Somerset, Massachusetts, becoming one of the founders of the B. G. & L. Chace Pottery of that place. Benjamin C. Chace, son of Leonard Chace, learned the manufacture of pottery from his father, and during the earlier years of his career operated a pottery in Norwich, Connecticut. He later returned to Somerset, and eventually became a resident of the city of Fall River, his business interests centering in Bristol county during the greater part of his lifetime. He married Sarah L. Sanford, also a member of a prominent Bristol county family, who, since his death, which occurred in 1916, still resides at the Chace home in Fall River.

Richard Borden Chace, younger son of these parents, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, December 4, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following his completion of the grammar course he entered B. M. C. Durfee High School, from which he was graduated. Later Mr. Chace took up special preparations for the career upon which he had decided early in life, and attended the Fall River Textile School until the year 1902. He then entered upon his career as an employee of the Cohannet Mills of Taunton, Massachusetts, and there gained the practical experience which has been of use to him in his subsequent activities as an executive. After some three years with the Cohannet Mills Mr. Chace became identified with the Whitin interests at Whitinsville, Massachusetts, manufacturers of textile machinery, and there gained broad familiarity with the funda-



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mentals of mechanical advance as applied to the textile industry. Devoting a period of twelve years to this activity, he then returned to Fall River to participate in the organization of the Shawmut Mills, which concern was incorporated May 21, 1917. With the beginning of operations under the present name Mr. Chace was made treasurer and general manager of the company, and he still (1923) ably serves in both these offices.

The mills now occupied by this concern were originally a part of the plant of the Barnaby Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of high grade gingham, and for many years one of the leading textile concerns of Fall River. That company was founded in the fall of 1881, and enjoyed not only prosperity, but the highest standing in the textile industry. The year 1916, which was one of terrific tension in the textile industry, saw their suspension on account of financial reverses, and in 1917 the property was sold at auction. The present corporation, the Shawmut Mills, became the purchasers, buying the ground and the two mill buildings which now comprise the plant. Under the management of Richard B. Chace the Shawmut Mills have become one of the successful industrial enterprises of Fall River. As one of the leading executives of this organization Mr. Chace holds foremost rank in industrial progress in Bristol county, and is esteemed by all who know him. He is otherwise affiliated with business advance as a member of the National Association of Manufacturers, the National Association of Cotton Manufacturers, the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, and as a member of the corporation of the Citizens Savings Bank of Fall River.

Fraternally Mr. Chace is a member of Granite Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Whitinsville, Massachusetts; and Fall River Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His social affiliations include membership in the Quequechan Club of Fall River, the Fall River Country Club, and the Tokalon Club of Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

**CHARLES T. ALGER**—The construction world of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is commanding the energies of some of the most capable executives of this section, and Charles T. Alger is thoroughly representative of this group of progressive men. Mr. Alger is a son of William H. and Louise (Cushman) Alger, and his father, who was a butcher of Taunton for many years, died in 1904, while the mother survived him for a number of years, passing away in 1917.

Charles T. Alger was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, February 4, 1881. Receiving a practical grounding in the essentials of education in the local public schools, he began life in the meat business in his father's employ. After eight years along this line of endeavor Mr. Alger established himself in business in Taunton as a contractor, with headquarters at No. 125 Bay street. This venture proved largely successful, and with the necessity for expansion he found a more suitable location at No.

40 West Britannia street. Here he has since gone forward with ever increasing success, and now holds a leading position in construction circles in Bristol county. He engages principally in concrete work, such as foundations, paving and granolithic work, also deals in cement, gravel and crushed stone, further doing excavation of every kind, and doing much in the way of road building. In this practical field Mr. Alger is bearing a definite part in local and nearby advance, and the quality and excellence of his work form permanent improvements of more than passing significance. Mr. Alger is a member of the New England Road Builders' Association, the Massachusetts Highway Association, both of which interests have headquarters in Boston, and of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce. He supports the Republican party in political affairs, and fraternally is a member of Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; also Lodge No. 79, Order of the Eastern Star, and Good Samaritan Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Taunton, Massachusetts. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and his clubs are the Bristol and Winthrop. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Alger married, at Roxbury, Massachusetts, November 18, 1918, Frances Keefe, daughter of William H. Keefe, who died in 1916. The mother, Catherine (Murphy) Keefe, is still (1923) living.

**CHARLES THOMPSON CUSHMAN**—The name of Cushman in Taunton, Massachusetts, has been synonymous for high quality in ice cream for well over half a century, the F. H. Cushman Ice Cream Company having been established prior to the year 1870. Charles Thompson Cushman, now head of the organization, is the third generation of this family to be interested in the enterprise. He is a son of Fred Howe Cushman, and a grandson of the founder, Ephriam Cushman. Fred Howe Cushman was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and entered the organization as a young man, continuing at its head until his death, which occurred April 1, 1922. The mother, Henrietta W. (Bushnell) Cushman, was born in Norwich, Connecticut.

Charles Thompson Cushman was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, September 19, 1892. His education was acquired in the local public schools, where he gained a thorough grounding in the essentials of learning, and at an early age he became interested with his father in the present enterprise. This is one of the oldest concerns of its kind in Bristol county, Massachusetts, the founder, Ephriam Cushman, having been one of the progressive and enterprising business men of the middle nineteenth century period. With a vision of what ice cream would mean to the people, both as a delicacy and from the commercial standpoint, Ephriam Cushman builded for permanence when he established the Cushman tradition of quality with his founding of the present business. Receiving into partnership his son, Fred Howe Cushman, when he became of an age to take an interest in business

affairs, the interest was inherited by the younger man, who in turn left it to his son, Charles Thompson Cushman, the present head of the organization. The second and third generation have adhered strictly to the policy of the founder in placing quality as the first consideration in their product. They have branched out in various directions and meet the popular fancies of the passing years with specialties of various kinds, always, however, giving to the public a product of delicious consistency and the highest quality. With plant at No. 23 Trescott street, they have about 15,000 square feet of floor space, equipped in the most modern manner and employ about fifteen hands, their product being distributed within a radius of fifteen miles of Taunton. Charles Thompson Cushman has been identified with this business ever since completing his studies, and familiarized himself with its details through the very practical method of experience in each department. Thus he fitted himself for success as the leading executive of the firm, and under his management the enterprise continues in prosperity and growth. Mr. Cushman is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and in fraternal and club circles is one of the popular and universally esteemed young men of the day. Fraternally he is a member of Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias; and Sabbatia Lodge, Naomi Encampment No. 14, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His clubs are the Taunton Kennel Club and Taunton Auto Club. He attends the Church of Christ (Scientist).

Mr. Cushman married, in November, 1915, Catherine K. Willard, of Taunton, daughter of Frank O. and Mary (Knight) Willard, both natives of Vermont. Mr. and Mrs. Cushman are the parents of one child: Charlotte K., born in 1918.

**FRED E. BRIGGS**—In legal circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Fred E. Briggs of Attleboro holds a largely prominent position, and aside from his importance as a professional man he stands at the head of a real estate and insurance business which is one of the rapidly growing enterprises of this city. He is a leader also in fraternal circles and is broadly interested in civic advance. Mr. Briggs is a son of Stephen A. Briggs, who was born in Attleboro, where he spent his entire lifetime, and died December 13, 1914. Stephen A. Briggs was a manufacturing jeweler of prominence and was widely affiliated with business affairs in Attleboro and throughout Bristol county. For many years he was a director and trustee of the Attleborough Savings and Loan Association. He was prominently identified with civic affairs in Attleboro for a long period of time, and was a force for advance in every line of endeavor in which he

participated. The mother, Sarah M. (Lincoln) Briggs, who was born in Norton, Massachusetts, is still living.

Fred E. Briggs was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, March 14, 1875. His education was begun in the local public schools, and following a partial term in the Attleboro High School he entered Berkeley School of Boston. Thereafter taking up the course in liberal arts at Brown University at Providence, Rhode Island, he was graduated with the class of 1897, receiving his Bachelor's degree in the Arts. Subsequently entering Harvard University, School of Law, he was graduated from that institution in 1901, receiving his Bachelor's degree in the Law. Admitted to the bar in 1901, Mr. Briggs took up the practice of his profession at Attleboro under his own name, and was located first at No. 48 Park street, later removing to his present location at No. 15 Academy street. He has followed general lines of practice and has won large success. In addition to his law practice, Mr. Briggs also maintains an office for real estate and insurance brokerage, and in this field he is doing a large and constantly increasing business. His activities in real estate are contributing definitely to the development and growth of the community, and handling a general line of insurance he meets the needs of the business men of Attleboro, as well as individuals. His further business affiliations include a directorship of the First National Bank of Attleboro, and he is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Briggs takes a deep interest in all local advance, but is active in an official capacity only as a member-at-large of the municipal Council, in which he serves on various committees. Fraternally Mr. Briggs is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston, Massachusetts; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, of Boston; and Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and is also a member of the Highland Country Club. His religious affiliation is with Murray Universalist Church.

**J. DOUGLASS ROBERTSON**—The work of J. Douglass Robertson is contributing directly to the industrial advance of Bristol county, Massachusetts, in forwarding the activities of the stove industry, and in the manufacture of stove bolts he stands behind the many factories in this section which are engaged in this branch of production. Although one of the younger men of the day in Taunton, Mr. Robertson is bearing executive responsibility and taking a significant place in the community. He is a son of Charles J. and Margaret W. (Isaac) Robertson, both natives of Montreal, Canada, but for some years residents of Taunton, the father active as a mechanical engineer.



J. Douglass Robertson was born in Plainfield, New Jersey, September 5, 1894. The family removing to Taunton in his childhood, it was in this city that he received his early education at the public schools, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1912. Later entering the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1916, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. His first experience was with the Winchester Repeating Arms Company of New Haven, Connecticut, and he was active in that connection until the year 1917, when, with thousands of America's young men, he responded to the call of humanity. He was commissioned in the Ordnance Department of the United States Army and was assigned to duty in the 6th Corps, 1st Army and was sent overseas. He served during the full period of the war, and was promoted to the rank of captain, with which rank he received his honorable discharge from the service. Upon his return to civilian life Mr. Robertson resumed his former position with the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, where he remained until May 1, 1921. On that date he participated in the organization of the present firm of Robertson & Brabrook Manufacturing Company, of which he became president, and of which Herbert Gfroerer is secretary. Taking up the manufacture of stove bolts, for which there is an ever insistent local demand, these young men have gone forward with courage and faith in the future, and although no great space of time has since elapsed, they have already won a position of assured success. With plant at No. 15 East Water street, occupying the entire building, they have rapidly expanded the business, particularly during the past year, and now send their product to all parts of the United States. Mr. Robertson is numbered among the thoroughly representative young men of Bristol county, is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, finds the interests of his leisure in the activities of the Segregansett Country Club, enjoys motoring, and keeps in touch with the general advance along all lines. He is a member of the Broadway Congregational Church.

Mr. Robertson married, June 6, 1923, Vivian E. Hughes, daughter of William Hughes of Taunton, Massachusetts, and they reside at No. 34 Prospect street.

**FRANK R. SWEET**—In the manufacture of a special type of watch and neck chains, Frank R. Sweet of Attleboro, Massachusetts, is a pioneer, and is also one of the leading successful executives of the day. He is a son of William O. Sweet, who was born at West Mansfield, Massachusetts, and was descended from an old family of that place. William O. Sweet became a leading nurseryman of this section and was active in that line of endeavor until his death, which occurred in 1912. The mother, Sarah F. (Hood) Sweet, was born at Somerset, Massachusetts, and died in 1913.

Frank R. Sweet was born at Somerset, Bristol

county, Massachusetts, October 3, 1880. His education was begun in the public schools of West Mansfield and he is a graduate of the Mansfield High School, class of 1897. As a young man Mr. Sweet entered the employ of A. H. Bliss of North Attleboro, where he learned the trade of tool-maker, then later became identified with J. O. Copeland & Company, where he was active at his trade. Still later he was connected with the Globe Jewelry Company as tool-maker, and he remained with this concern until 1900, when he became one of the founders of a business enterprise. At that time, in partnership with Thomas Bennett and Harry Allen, Mr. Sweet formed the Electric Chain Company for the purpose of manufacturing chains with automatic machinery. In 1904 Mr. Sweet withdrew from this firm to establish the present business under the name of the Sweet Manufacturing Company. The first location of this interest was on Forrest street, but it was only a short period before he was obliged to secure a more spacious plant. Accordingly, he built the present fine modern structure at No. 84 Dunham street, and he now occupies the entire building, comprising about 9,000 square feet of floor space, and employing some twenty-five hands. He produces in great quantities, by special automatic machinery designed for the purpose, a very attractive line of chains. Mr. Sweet is personally the inventor of many devices and improvements for the manufacture of this product and the designer of many of the numbers in his catalogue. He was one of the first in this center of jewelry production to adopt automatic machinery for its manufacture, and by this means he is able to turn out an exceedingly large output with a minimum force of employees. He is sole owner of the business and as such is widely known in the trade. He is a director of the Attleboro Trust Company and a member of the Chamber of Commerce, but while a loyal Republican by political affiliation, he has never accepted official responsibility of any kind. Fraternally Mr. Sweet is affiliated with St. James Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Mansfield, Massachusetts; Keystone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Foxboro, Massachusetts; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar, of Attleboro, Massachusetts; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is also a member of Orient Lodge, No. 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Attleboro, and is socially identified with the West Side Club. Since his boyhood Mr. Sweet has been deeply interested in the breeding of fancy poultry and choice bird dogs, and for a number of years he has been the owner of a fine farm at West Mansfield, known as the Glenwood Farm, where he has some of the choicest stock in New England. His poultry is principally the Rhode Island Red Breed, and he secured a record price of \$1,000 for a Rhode Island Red cockerel and hen, Andrew Allbright, a New Jersey fancier, hav-



ing been the purchaser. This farm is one of the exceptionally fine properties of Bristol county, and comprises 200 acres of excellent farming land. These well-rounded and wide-reaching activities place Frank R. Sweet among the broadly representative citizens of Attleboro, and he is well known as one of the leading citizens of this community. His religious affiliation is with the Universality church.

Frank R. Sweet married, on December 14, 1904, Harriet E. Pitman of West Mansfield, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of three children: Herman R., born November 3, 1909; Geraldine, born November 11, 1911; and William O., born March 11, 1919.

**MICHAEL McNALLY**—One of the most noteworthy business enterprises of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is the McNally Construction Company, which is the life achievement of Michael McNally, and has figured very prominently in the more important building activities of recent years in Fall River and vicinity. Mr. McNally is broadly prominent also in the public service as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners, and although this is the only official responsibility which he has ever accepted, he has done much for the success of the fire prevention campaign, which has been such an important part of the recent history of Fall River. Mr. McNally is a son of Patrick and Bridget (Killcourse) McNally, both natives of Ireland, who migrated to England after their marriage and directly after the Civil War came to the United States. They located in Providence, Rhode Island, where they remained until the year 1872, when they removed to Fall River and here spent the remaining years of their lives. The father was a brick and stone mason by trade and followed this line of activity continuously until his death, which occurred when he was about fifty-nine years of age. The mother lived until the year 1921, very nearly rounding out a century of life.

Michael McNally was born in Derbyshire, England, September 14, 1860. His education, he has many times been heard to remark, was principally in the "School of Hard Knocks," his attendance at the common schools of his time having covered only a short period and having ended at the age of ten years. At this early age he entered the world of men and affairs, securing a position in the print works. A short time later he was associated with his father on a construction job, working as water boy and general utility boy. He took a keen interest in the construction activities that were being accomplished and from that time forward continued in this general field. He served a regular apprenticeship as a brick and stone mason, then for some years worked as a journeyman mason, gradually drifting into the general building line. In the late nineties Mr. McNally engaged in building contracting for himself, doing business under his own name, and, with his energy and initiative added to the practical experience which he had acquired, his success was assured from the

first. The business grew and developed rapidly and in 1910 was incorporated as the McNally Construction Company, Mr. McNally being president of the concern. This corporation has taken a definite and noteworthy part in subsequent building activities, erecting the mills of the American Printing Company and many other industrial plants. Various other contracts which they have filled are Cherry & Webb's cloak store at Providence, Rhode Island, McWhirr's department store, and many commercial establishments of Fall River and other cities in southeastern Massachusetts and eastern Rhode Island. He has done a great deal of mill reconstruction and addition work and is widely noted for the excellence of every piece of work which comes under his hand. A Republican by political convictions, Mr. McNally has for many years taken an active part in civic affairs and also has been deeply interested in national affairs, but he has never been an office seeker, and beyond his present position as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners he has never accepted public responsibility. He has served on this board for nearly fifteen years and has done much to encourage the fire prevention in which Fall River has been a leader in recent years. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, the Fire Chief Club of Boston, the Boston City Club, the Fall River Club, the Quequechan Club of Fall River, and fraternally is identified with Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Mr. McNally married, June 29, 1879, Alice Ann O'Mara of Fall River, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. McNally are the parents of six children, of whom three daughters survive: Anna G., a graduate of Fall River High School, who took a kindergarten course in Boston, and taught in Fall River schools, now the wife of Dr. Joseph Donnelly, a leading dentist of Fall River; Agnes G., a graduate of Fall River High School and Emerson College of Oratory in Boston, who taught in the Fall River schools, now the wife of D. G. Bolduc, a leading physician of Bayonne, New Jersey; and Alice T., a graduate of Sacred Heart College, who took a commercial course, now at home.

**ALDRO A. FRENCH**—Prominently active in the industrial life of Attleboro, Massachusetts, and broadly interested in many realms of endeavor, Aldro A. French of Attleboro is a thoroughly representative man of the present day in Bristol county, and his activities are contributing to the general advance. Mr. French is a son of Amos French, who was born at Norway, Oxford county, Maine, and was a farmer by occupation. Descended from the pioneer settlers of that community, he was one of the leading citizens of Norway, a man of progressive spirit and highly esteemed in the community. He died in 1917. The mother, Levina (Dunn) French, was born at Poland, Maine, and died in 1913.

Aldro A. French was born at Norway, Maine,



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July 1, 1874. His education was begun in the local public schools and he later entered Bowdoin College, from which he was graduated in the class of 1897, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Coming to Attleboro shortly after his graduation, Mr. French taught school for two years, then entered the office of David E. Makepeace, where he was active as an employee until the incorporation of the concern, which took place in 1902. At that time Mr. French was elected vice-president of the company, and he filled this office until 1918, when he was also made treasurer.

In many lines of progressive effort Mr. French is actively interested. He is a member of the board of directors of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, a director of the Attleboro Loan Association, and a director of the Community Chest. His public services include a number of years' activity on the School Committee, and for a time he served as secretary. He acted as a member of the City Building Committee during the year which saw the erection of the present high school. He was a member at large of the City Council, and chairman of the Finance Committee. Mr. French's activities are not, however, confined to local interest. During the World War he devoted much time to the many drives and was especially active in the work of the Liberty Loan. He is broadly interested in all scientific or educational progress and is a promoter and one of the directors of the MacMillan Arctic explorations. Fraternally he is a member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and his clubs are the West Side of Attleboro, the Highland Country, of which he was one of the organizers and its president for four years, and the Metacomet Country Club. Mr. French was very active in athletics while at Bowdoin College, being a member of the baseball, football and track teams. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. French married, in 1902, Edna M. Makepeace of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of David E. and Myra B. (Johnson) Makepeace. Mr. and Mrs. French are the parents of one child: Edgar A., born May 18, 1905, now a student at Dean Academy, preparing for Bowdoin College.

**ALBERT H. WAITE**—As organized and manager of the A. H. Waite Company, dealers in auto supplies, Albert H. Waite has added to the long list of Taunton's business concerns a vigorous and rapidly growing enterprise. Mr. Waite has been associated with the line of business activity in which he is now engaged from the beginning of his active career, and is well qualified to build a successful auto supply business.

Mr. Waite was born in Leicester, Massachusetts, May 17, 1894, son of Lucius M. Waite, a book-keeper who died in 1906, and of Alice E. (Dewey) Waite, who is now living in Providence, Rhode Island. He attended the public schools of Leices-

ter, and when his grammar school training was completed, entered the Technical High School in Providence, Rhode Island, from which he was graduated with the class of 1911. Upon the completion of his school course, he began his business career in the employ of his brother, Edward D. Waite, who owned the Waite Auto Supply Company, in Providence, at that time. That connection he maintained for a period of six years, at the end of which time the United States entered the World War and Mr. Waite promptly enlisted for service. He was sent to France almost immediately after his enlistment, and was on the firing line, with intervals of rest, for eighteen months. Just before he was discharged, in 1918, he was promoted to the rank of corporal in Battery C, 103rd Regiment, 26th Division. Upon his return to civilian life he went to Providence, Rhode Island, and resumed his connection with the business of his brother, as an employee of the Waite Auto Supply Company. After remaining with that concern for a period of seven months, he resolved to enter the auto supply business for himself. He formed an association with John W. Little, Jr., Leon N. McKenzie, Frank Jeffers, Edward D. Waite, and Albert H. Waite, under the firm name of the A. H. Waite Company, Inc. In addition to carrying a general line of auto supplies and accessories, the concern acted as a distributing station for the Presto-Lite Storage Battery, and also carried a full line of radio sets and parts. The enterprise was successful from the very beginning and the business is expanding very rapidly each year. The public, finding that it can depend upon the goods offered for sale by the A. H. Waite Company, and that it always receives prompt and courteous service, is doing much to increase the patrons of the business.

Mr. Waite is a member of Taunton Post, American Legion; Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and protective Order of Elks; What Cheer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Providence; Providence Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Masons; Providence Council, No. 1, Royal and Select Masters; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Bristol Club, the Taunton Auto Club, and the Y. D. Club, of Rhode Island. Mr. Waite has many friends in Taunton, and is widely known and highly esteemed not only as a successful business man but as an enterprising and loyal citizen and a good friend and comrade.

On April 21, 1919, Albert H. Waite married Margaret McMeekin, who was born in Providence, daughter of William McMeekin, who is now living in Providence. Mr. and Mrs. Waite are the parents of two children: Gertrude, who was born in June, 1921; and Albert H., Jr., who was born in February, 1923.

**THOMAS A. SMITH**—Filling a broadly useful position in the mercantile activities of Taunton, Massachusetts, Thomas A. Smith is thereby achiev-

ing marked success as the head of one of the leading drug stores in this part of the State, representing the interests of the Liggett Drug Company in Taunton and vicinity. A native of this city, Mr. Smith was reared and educated here, and he is a son of Thomas and Melinda A. (Burke) Smith. His father, who was a well known merchant of Taunton for many years, died February 15, 1915.

Thomas A. Smith was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, February 25, 1885. His education was begun in the public schools of this city and he is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1900. Upon the completion of his studies, Mr. Smith entered the employ of the Weir Drug Company, with which he remained for three years, during this time making a close study of pharmacy. He then went to Brockton, Massachusetts, where he took charge of the Packard Pharmacy for a similar period, then went to Boston, where for ten years he served as prescription manager of the Riker-Jaynes Company of Boston. Mr. Smith then came to Taunton and opened his own interest here, locating first at No. 73 West Water street. For three years he carried forward this business at the same location, then in 1919, having an attractive opportunity to sell, he disposed of this interest and formed his present affiliation with the Liggett Drug Company, locating at Nos. 1 and 3 Weir street, Taunton. Mr. Smith carries on a very comprehensive and up-to-date drug business, and aside from the products of the Liggett concern, everything is to be found in this store which the most complete drug store is expected to carry. This is one of the largest stores in a very wide region, and Mr. Smith, as the head and proprietor, is counted among the really prominent and definitely successful men of the day in Southeastern Massachusetts. He has few interests outside of his business, but supports the Republican party in political affairs. His fraternal affiliation is with Lynn Lodge, No. 117, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and his religious affiliation is with the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

**FRED A. LEONARD**—For thirty-seven years a member of the Taunton Fire Department, and for twenty-two years of that period chief engineer, Fred A. Leonard is a noteworthy figure in his chosen field of activity, being one of the oldest firemen in point of service in the State of Massachusetts. Gifted with administrative ability of a high order, and possessing the genial spirit which gives him a cordial welcome in any circle, Chief Leonard has brought the department to a high degree of efficiency, and is one of the honored figures of the city government. He is a son of Herbert A. Leonard, a teamster by occupation, highly respected in the community, who died July 30, 1898. The mother, Laura A. (Godfrey) Leonard, died November 5, 1893.

Fred A. Leonard, son of these parents, was born

in Taunton, Massachusetts, July 25, 1864. His education was limited to the advantages of the public schools, and his first activity as a young man was in the capacity of teamster in the employ of Wilbur Brothers. After two years in this connection he learned the trade of machinist at the Mason Machine Works, and remained for a time after mastering the trade, spending five years with this concern. Mr. Leonard became identified with the Taunton Permanent Fire Department as a driver in 1885, and from the first his usefulness to the department was clearly evident. He was promoted to captain of the Chemical Company on August 1, 1891, and on July 1 of the following year he was appointed permanent engineer. In 1900 he was elected by the Common Council of the city as first assistant engineer, and was made chief of the department on March 15, 1901. He has served faithfully and well in this position of large responsibility, doing much for the constant improvement of conditions in the organization and for the continual advance of the department as regards equipment. At the time of his enrollment in 1885, the entire force numbered only eighteen men, while at the present time (1923) the five stations of the city are manned with a total of fifty-five. The department is completely motorized, the last of the old equipment having been discarded in 1921. Chief Leonard is popular among the men, and his influence as a man and a citizen, as well as an executive, counts for advance in every phase of civic interest. Since 1902 Chief Leonard has been active in the Massachusetts Fire Chiefs' Club, and is now serving as a member of the board of directors, and at this writing is serving as chairman of the board. Since 1903 has been a member of the International Association of Fire Engineers. Fraternally he is affiliated with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons.

Chief Leonard married, in 1894, Minnie G. Hood, of Lowell, Massachusetts, daughter of George W. K. and Deborah Hood, and they have two daughters, both educated at the Framingham Normal School: Gladys A., wife of Carrall Clark; and Elsie. The young people are prominent in social circles in Taunton.

**WILLIAM J. WATSON**—One of the leading figures in insurance business in Attleboro, Massachusetts, is William J. Watson, whose previous activity in newspaper work gave him broad familiarity with business conditions and general progress, as well as extensive acquaintances in Bristol county. Mr. Watson is a practical man whose endeavors are counting in a definite way for the local advance. He is a son of Joseph Watson, who was born in Ireland and died in 1894, after a long and active career in the manufacture of machinery. Joseph Watson was a veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted in the Second Regiment, Rhode Island Cavalry, and having served throughout the period of the war. The mother, Sarah (Moore) Watson, was born in Ireland, and survived her husband for many years, passing away in 1920.

William J. Watson was born at Providence, Rhode Island, September 17, 1869. Receiving a practical preparation for his career in the public schools of his native city, Mr. Watson associated himself with the Providence "Journal" as a young man and spent many years in the newspaper business. He was in Boston newspaper work until 1919, when he established his present insurance business in Attleboro, locating in the Sanford building at No. 7 Park street. Mr. Watson handles all kinds of insurance, but specializes in life insurance, and, doing business under his own name, acts as the representative of many leading concerns of the day. His success has been remarkable and he now commands an extensive and rapidly growing clientele. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Watson bears the part of a private citizen only in the general advance, never having accepted public honors. During the World War he devoted his time principally to the various home activities in support of the American Expeditionary Forces, serving on many boards and committees, and for his usefulness he received a certificate of recognition from the United States Government. Fraternally he is a member of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the National Underwriters Association, the Chamber of Commerce, and the West Side Club. His religious affiliation is with the Universalist church.

Mr. Watson married, in 1897, Eugenia M. Leach of Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Edwin and Letitia (Allen) Leach, her father a manufacturing jeweler.

**EDWARD J. MORSE**—As the head of a prosperous and growing enterprise of Taunton, Massachusetts, Edward J. Morse is a well known figure in the industrial line of Bristol county. With broad experience in commercial and industrial activities, Mr. Morse brought to his position, as one of the organizers of Morse & Sprinkle, Inc., the practical qualities which would win success in any field. For the past four years this concern has been a part of the industrial life of Taunton, and is taking a very commendable place in the general progress. Mr. Morse is a son of Oscar E. and Etta M. (Higgins) Morse, both natives of Massachusetts, the father now retired from active business.

Edward J. Morse was born at West Medway, Massachusetts, November 5, 1887. Receiving his early education in the local public and high schools, he later prepared for his career at Comer's Commercial School at Boston. His first business experience was as an employee of the Wellington, Pierce Company of Boston, where he was active for thirteen years, going through the various positions of responsibility at their plant, up to and including the office of assistant manager. Resigning from this concern, Mr. Morse accepted a position as factory manager of the Titus-Blatter Company, in which connection he remained until 1914. At that time he established, in connection with a

partner, the firm of Morse & Springle, Inc., their first location being at No. 505 State street, Brooklyn, New York. The purpose of this organization was the manufacture of novelty curtains, and the growth of the business was so marked that it was determined to seek a location where greater possibility of expansion could be found. In June, 1919, the plant was removed to Taunton, Massachusetts, where it has since been located at No. 15 Maple street. They have built a handsome new structure of the most approved factory construction, with about 14,000 square feet of floor space, and here employ about ninety hands. This number, however, is only a small fraction of the aggregate number of employees, for much of the work is placed out in the homes of the city, where about 300 people are now engaged in their employ. With modern machinery and the most up-to-date methods this company is attaining a national reputation, the quality of their work placing their goods among the finest to be found on the market. Mr. Morse is a member of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts and the Merchants' Association of New York City. His fraternal affiliation is with Continental Lodge, No. 287, Free and Accepted Masons, of Brooklyn, New York. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Segregansett Country.

Mr. Morse married, in 1906, Florence R. Ahearn of Boston, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of three children: Evelyn, born in 1909; Edwin O., born in 1911; and Richard D., born in 1922.

**FREDERICK SALISBURY CLARNER** is conducting a prosperous automobile sales room and service station at No. 46 Turner street, Fall River. Though the concern is but four years old, it is already one of the well known and well established concerns of its kind in Bristol county and its reputation extends far beyond the limits of its immediate neighborhood. Mr. Clarner is a son of Ernest J. and Fannie (Peck) Clarner, the former of whom is a dyer in the cotton mills, and the latter of whom is a descendant of an old Massachusetts family which settled in Swansea. He is one of three children.

Born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, May 27, 1879, Frederick Salisbury Clarner removed to Swansea, Massachusetts, with his parents when a child and received his education in the public schools of that town. When school days were over he began his business career in the employ of the firm of W. G. Pearce, dealers in seeds and farm implements in Fall River. He began as a clerk and later became one of the partners, and remained with the firm for twenty years, during which time he not only acquired a thorough knowledge of the particular business in which he was engaged but also acquired a thorough acquaintance with "all sorts and conditions of men." After twenty years spent in that one line of business activity he decided to engage in the automobile business for himself, and in 1919 he opened a salesroom and service station at No. 46 Turner street, in Fall River. He took over the



agency for the Reo car and in addition to the distribution of that make of car he also carries a full line of automobile accessories and supplies. He has met with encouraging success from the start and each year brings a large increase in his patronage. He also carries the Reo truck for which he finds sale not only in the cities in the vicinity of Fall River but in the farming districts as well. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. He has always been willing to bear his share of the burden of local public service and for the last three years has served as a member of the school committee of the town of Somerset, where he resides. He is well known in Masonic circles, being a member of all the bodies of both the Scottish and York Rites, holding the thirty-second degree and being a member of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and of the Kiwanis Club, and his religious affiliation is with the Methodist church.

Frederick Salisbury Clarner married, at Somerset, Massachusetts, May 29, 1902, Mabel L. Buffinton, who was born in Somerset, Massachusetts, daughter of Thomas H. and Emma B. (Weaver) Buffinton, both natives of Bristol county. Mr. and Mrs. Clarner are the parents of one daughter, Doris B.

**LEONARD I. LAMB**—In the field of industrial effort which has given the city of Attleboro, Massachusetts, world-wide celebrity, the manufacture of jewelry, Leonard I. Lamb has spent his entire career thus far, and although he is still a young man, he now fills the responsible position of assistant manager of the business carried forward under the title of the R. F. Simmons Company. Mr. Lamb is a man of broad interests and progressive spirit. In addition to his business interests he bears a constructive part in many branches of progressive and benevolent advance. He comes of a long prominent family of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and is a son of Louis J. and Elizabeth T. (Becket) Lamb, of Attleboro, both now deceased. Louis J. Lamb was born at Charlton, Massachusetts, and died in 1906, at a comparatively early age, after spending his lifetime in the manufacture of jewelry. The mother, who was born in Boston, died in the year 1920.

Leonard I. Lamb was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, December 11, 1887. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Attleboro High School in the class of 1905. Later entering Tufts College, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1909, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. Directly from college Mr. Lamb associated himself with the R. F. Simmons Company, jewelry manufacturers of Attleboro, and he has been with this concern continuously since. Beginning in a subordinate capacity, he has risen through the various departments and grades of responsibility to his present position of assistant manager. He now has general supervision over the entire factory, and winning his way as he has done, wholly on the

merits of his work, he is in close touch with every branch of production. Mr. Lamb has shown exceptional ability in securing the co-operation of the employees and in obtaining a maximum output. The company is producing more goods under his management than ever before, and their standing in the trade is of the highest. Mr. Lamb is interested in another line of business progress as president of Bristol Farms, Inc., one of the largest milk distributors in this section, which provides Attleboro with a large share of the milk locally consumed.

A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Lamb has served as a member of the Municipal Council from Ward Two for one term and is now in his second term of service, but he has never otherwise accepted public responsibilities. He was at one time a member of Company M, Massachusetts State Guard, in which he served for three years with the rank of corporal. He is a member and director of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, a director and vice-president for the past twelve years of the Young Men's Christian Association, and for seven years was a trustee of the Attleboro Public Library. He is affiliated with the Delta Epsilon fraternity; and is a popular member of the Highland Country Club. Interested in every branch of local and general advance, he is one of the most highly esteemed and progressive men of the younger group of business executives in Attleboro. He is a member of the Universalist church, and for the past twelve years has been on the standing committee of the church.

Leonard I. Lamb married, on April 10, 1912, Gertrude E. Knapp of Franklin, Massachusetts, daughter of James H. and Lucy (Brackett) Knapp, her father treasurer of Elms Farms of Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Lamb have two children; Elizabeth H., born November 16, 1913; and Louis K., born November 17, 1916.

**FREDERICK JAMES NORRIS**, superintendent of the Barnard Manufacturing Company Cotton Mills, is an expert in the textile industry, who by long service in any mills, both in England and this country, has qualified himself to fill with notable efficiency important executive positions in the cotton weaving industry. Mr. Norris was, figuratively speaking, born into the textile industry, his father being Richard Norris, a skilled loom-fixer of England, who never came to this country, but with his wife, Ann (Lowe) Norris, resided in England throughout his entire life.

Frederick James Norris was born in Chorley, Lancashire, England, December 14, 1872, and received his school training in the grammar schools of his native district. As a young man he entered the employ of Brindles, Ltd., as a loom-fixer, and that connection he maintained for a period of five years. At the end of that time he was made manager of a cotton mill at Horwich, England, and in that capacity he rendered excellent service until 1907. In that year he came to this country and settled in Fall River, Massachusetts, where he



Fred. J. Norris.





entered the King Philip Mill, in the capacity of loom-fixer. His next position was with the Arkwright Mills, where he served as second hand for six months. At the end of that time he severed his connection with the Arkwright Mills in order to widen his experience and better his condition by accepting a position as overseer of the Wampanoag Mills. That responsible executive position he efficiently filled for three years, when he again made a change, becoming overseer of the Davol Mill, where he remained for two years. His next position was with the Border City Mill, where he served as the efficient superintendent for nine years. He then resigned and accepted a position as superintendent of the Barnard Manufacturing Company Cotton Mills, which were established in 1874, and that position he has held for the past five months. He is thoroughly skilled in all the departments of the textile industry, and his wide and varied experience in different localities enables him to render invaluable service to the firm with which he is identified. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, holding membership in the local lodge with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a past grand master; and with the Knights of Pythias. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church.

On June 1, 1893, in Chorley, England, Frederick James Norris married Helen Catterall, daughter of John and Ellen (Ditchfield) Catterall. Mr. and Mrs. Norris are the parents of one son: Richard, who was born in England, and is now engaged in business as an electrical contractor in Fall River.

**FREDERICK E. BEMIS**, as cashier of the Fall River National Bank, of Fall River, Massachusetts, is efficiently filling a position of trust which has been won by ability, faithfulness, and steadfast adherence to the highest ideals of business honor. Throughout the entire period of his active career Mr. Bemis has been identified with the Fall River National Bank and it is safe to say that no other individual knows so thoroughly both the bank and its patrons as does Mr. Bemis.

Born in Fall River, Massachusetts, May 9, 1869, Frederick E. Bemis is a son of James W. and Hannah E. (Macomber) Bemis, the former of whom is a son of Ezekiel Bemis. After attending the public schools of Fall River, including the high school, he began his connection with the Fall River National Bank as a messenger boy at the age of seventeen. From the beginning he gave close and thorough attention to his work and recognition came in the form of promotion. He was appointed teller, then assistant cashier, and finally, in January, 1923, he was appointed to the important position which he now so efficiently fills, that of cashier of the Fall River National Bank, of which he is also a member of the board of directors. He is a member of Massasoit Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and of Quequechan Club, and his religious interest is with the First Baptist Church, of Fall River, of which he is a member.

Frederick E. Bemis married, on September 30, 1903, at Somerville, New Jersey, Minerva L. Mills, daughter of Hiram and Elizabeth (Eldred) Mills, and they are the parents of two children: Eldred W., born September 17, 1904, now a student in Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and Margaret, born May 24, 1910.

**WILLIAM E. SWEENEY**—Bringing to his duties as superintendent of the D. E. Makepeace Company of Attleboro, Massachusetts, the large natural ability and the breadth of experience which count so definitely for success, William E. Sweeney is bearing a practical part in the local industrial advance, and among his associates is well known as a thoroughly progressive and efficient executive. Mr. Sweeney has spent his entire career thus far in the jewelry industry, and has won prominence in his chosen field of endeavor. He is a son of Edward A. Sweeney, who was born in Boston, and came to Attleboro as a young man, where he was active in the manufacture of jewelry until his death, which occurred February 15, 1922. The mother, Hannah (Ellis) Sweeney, was born in Nova Scotia, and died in the year 1904.

William E. Sweeney was born at Attleboro, Massachusetts, March 25, 1883. His early education was received in the public schools of his native city, and he was graduated from the Attleboro High School in the class of 1902. Thereafter entering Amherst College in the class of 1907, he spent two years and a half at that institution, but circumstances making it advisable for him to associate himself with business advance, he did not complete the course. Mr. Sweeney's first business experience was in the employ of the R. F. Simmons Company, manufacturing jewelers of Attleboro, where he was active in the shipping and packing room, also gaining a broad familiarity with other departments. Remaining with this concern for a period of six years, he then became identified with the M. S. Company, also in the same general field, where he continued for two years and a half. In the year 1918 Mr. Sweeney became affiliated with the D. E. Makepeace Company of Attleboro, as assistant manager and superintendent of the factory, and through his ability and interest in the progress of the organization was made secretary of the concern on January 1, 1923. Mr. Sweeney's rise to this important office was wholly on the merits of his activities in the industry of which he has been a part for upwards of eighteen years, and he is taking a definite position of leadership in the organization. The D. E. Makepeace Company was founded in the year 1887, the first headquarters being only bench room in the old Steam Power building. Its growth, however, was healthy and permanent under the hand of David E. Makepeace, who was the founder and is still the head. After a few changes incident to the necessity for expansion, the enterprise was permanently settled in its own four-story wooden structure at the corner of Pine and Dunham streets, a building containing some 32,000 square

feet of floor space. In the year 1904 a plot of ground adjoining was secured and another building of equal space was erected. The development of the interest again requiring expansion, in 1913 a handsome four-story brick building with about 35,000 square feet of floor space was erected, and the concern is now acknowledged among the largest in the world producing seamless gold and silver tubing and other stocks and materials for the jewelry trade. They devote 100,000 square feet of floor space to these activities, also handle an extensive business in gold and silver plating. This concern started with two employees, and in the present splendid plant employ 510 skilled hands. The officers of the company at present (1923) are: David E. Makepeace, president; Aldro A. French, treasurer; William E. Sweeney, secretary.

A member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Sweeney has for some years borne a share in the civic and welfare activities of the time, principally in an entirely unofficial way. From 1912 until 1918, inclusive, he served as assistant chief of the Attleboro Fire Department, under Chief Packard. He is a Republican by political affiliation, and during the World War he served as a member of the Massachusetts State Guard (Company M) as supply sergeant, later being transferred to Headquarters Company at Quincy, Massachusetts. He received his discharge from the service with the rank of regimental supply sergeant of Headquarters Company. Fraternally Mr. Sweeney holds membership in Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His religious affiliation is with the Universalist church.

Mr. Sweeney married, on April 3, 1909, Leonilda Orup, daughter of Elmer N. and Anna C. (Anderson) Orup, her father a master mechanic by occupation. Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney are prominent in social and welfare activities in this city.

**NELSON W. GURNEY**, for the past three years, has been successfully engaged in the business of selling motorcycles, bicycles and automobile supplies and accessories. He carries a full line of the many articles needed by autoists and motorcyclists.

Born in Templeton, Massachusetts, September 19, 1890, Nelson W. Gurney was the son of Jonathan R. Gurney, of Templeton, Massachusetts, who throughout his active career was engaged as an engineer, and of Gertrude (Rownesville) Gurney, of East Freetown, Massachusetts. Mr. Gurney received a practical education in the public schools of Freetown, and there, when schooldays were over, he began his business career, engaging in business for himself as a teamster. He did a general line of teaming until 1907, when he entered the Federal

employ, in the post office department, as carrier of the rural free delivery mail route out of Cliford, Massachusetts, and that position he held for a period of five years. In 1920 he decided to again engage in business for himself. Opening an establishment at No. 44 Cohannet street, he engaged in the motorcycle business, as sales agent, and as dealer in accessories and supplies. The business grew, and at the end of two years he found that larger quarters were necessary. He then removed to his present location at No. 5 Tremond street, where he has greatly increased his patronage and added to the volume of business transacted. He has added to the sale of bicycles and motorcycle accessories an auto supply and accessory department, which is exceedingly prosperous and steadily growing. During the World War he was a member of the Motorcycle Corps, 330th Company, and was assigned to duty at Camp Upton, Long Island, from which he was discharged June 30, 1919, with the rank of sergeant. He is a member of New Bedford Post, American Legion; of the Sons of Veterans; and of East Freetown Grange. He is also a member of the Massachusetts Motorcycle Association, and of the New England Harley Davidson Dealers' Association. His religious affiliation is with the East Freetown First Christian Church. Mr. Gurney is very well known and highly respected in Taunton, both as a successful business man and as a public spirited citizen. He has many personal friends, and is known as one of the enterprising and progressive citizens of Taunton.

On July 12, 1922, at Taunton, Nelson W. Gurney married Elva Staples, of Lakeville, Massachusetts, daughter of Edwin A. and Abbie (Washburn) Staples. Mr. and Mrs. Gurney reside in Taunton.

**ALFRED THOMAS TOWNLEY**—When five years of age, Alfred T. Townley was brought to the United States by his parents, Fall River, Massachusetts, becoming the family home. Henry Edward Townley, father of Alfred T. Townley, was born in Lancastershire, England, in 1841, and came to the United States in 1873, settled at Fall River, Massachusetts, there acting as janitor of the Citizens' Savings Bank for twenty-three years and as sexton of the First Baptist Church for a long term. He married Agnes Pemberton, also born in Lancastershire, England, in 1842. Mr. and Mrs. Townley are now deceased.

Alfred T. Townley, son of Henry E. and Agnes (Pemberton) Townley, was born in Lancashire, England, April 18, 1868, and there spent the first five years of his life. In 1873 he was brought to the United States by his parents, and from that year he has been a resident of Fall River, his connection with the mercantile life of the city beginning in 1901. He attended Fall River public school, finishing grammar school courses, then became a worker in the cotton mills, continuing until 1901, when he established a milk route in the Westport section of Bristol county, four miles from Fall River. He began in a small way, distributing about

100 quarts daily over his route, but business increased and he prospered, until 1916, when he determined to greatly extend his borders. In that year he bought the property at No. 394 Coggeshall street, Fall River, and upon it erected a modern dairy plant, equipped for pasteurizing, refrigerating and separating. His business has grown, until now he disposes of 3,500 quarts daily, being one of three largest milk dealers in the city, and in some of its equipment his plant is not duplicated in New England outside of Boston. Mr. Townley is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce and of the First Baptist Church; his political faith is Republican.

He married, at Fall River, December 7, 1891, Alice Walsh of Fall River, daughter of George and Alice Walsh, her parents born in England. Mr. and Mrs. Townley are the parents of two children: Charles P., born in Fall River, in 1892; Alfred Thomas, Jr., born in Westport, in 1901. Both sons are now associated in business with their father in the operation of Townley's Dairy.

**GEORGE SHEFFIELD BLIVEN**—In electrical engineering and the merchandising of electrical equipment and supplies, George Sheffield Bliven of Attleboro, Massachusetts, holds a noteworthy position in Bristol county. With an unusually comprehensive training and a number of years of practical experience, Mr. Bliven took over the present interest with splendid personal equipment and is going forward to large success. He is a son of John S. Bliven, who was born in Rhode Island and died in the year 1892. John S. Bliven was the sixth generation of this family to live in the old homestead in Exeter, Rhode Island, and he conducted the farm throughout his lifetime, his comparatively early death closing a worthy career and removing from the community one of the most estimable citizens. The mother, Harriet Elizabeth (Gage) Bliven, was born at Charleston, Rhode Island, and still survives her husband.

George Sheffield Bliven was born at Exeter, Rhode Island, August 31, 1882. His education was received in the local public schools and this was the limit of his formal school attendance, but immediately after completing the grammar course the young man began his technical preparations for his career. He mastered three trades before coming to Attleboro, which he did in 1908. At that time entering the employ of H. C. Barden as an electrical engineer, Mr. Bliven continued in his employ for about a decade, then in 1918 purchased the business of Mr. Barden, and has since continued as the sole owner of the interest, going forward under the name of the Electric Shop. Located at No. 7 County street, this enterprise occupies two floors and employs about twelve experienced men. Mr. Bliven does electrical engineering of every kind and handles a very comprehensive stock of electrical equipment and supplies. Since taking over the business Mr. Bliven has greatly extended the scope of its operations and it now holds a leading posi-

tion in Attleboro. Mr. Bliven supports the Republican party in political affairs, but has never accepted official responsibility, although during the World War he bore a prominent part on various local boards in the many home war activities. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is on the board of directors. His fraternal affiliations are with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Massachusetts Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, of Boston; Lodge of Perfection, Princes of Jerusalem; Mt. Olivet Chapter, Rose Croix; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston; Orient Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past noble grand; Gideon Horton Encampment and the Canton; Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is on the board of directors. His clubs are the Highland Country and the West Side Club of Attleboro. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Bliven married, June 10, 1904, Bertha F. Green, of Davisville, Rhode Island, who is a lineal descendant of General Nathanael Green of Revolutionary fame. She is a daughter of Oscar I. Green of Rhode Island, for many years at the head of an organization of a porgie fishing fleet, her mother, Mary Austin, a native of Rhode Island.

**ISAIÉ LAPLANTE**—In 1893 Isaie Laplante located in Fall River, where he has since conducted a prosperous wholesale hay and grain business and acquired a fortune through his well-directed, untiring efforts. He is a native son of Canada; his parents, Xavier and Julienne Laplante, of French ancestry, located on a farm at St. Rosalie in the Province of Quebec at the time of the birth of their son. In addition to his private mercantile business at Fall River Isaie Laplante has large interests elsewhere, and is now (1923) interested in the erection of a large cement factory at Montreal, an enterprise he is giving his personal attention, making frequent trips to the plant under construction, several hundred men now being employed under the direction of Richard K. Mead of Baltimore, Maryland.

Isaie Laplante was born at St. Rosalie, Province of Quebec, Canada, April 8, 1866, and there he obtained his education. He aided in the operation of the home farm, but later served for three years as a blacksmith apprentice, then for two years worked as a journeyman blacksmith in his native province. He subsequently came to the United States and for about four years was in business in Waterbury, Connecticut, after which he returned to Canada. There he located in St. Simon, a village of the Province of Quebec, there being in the employ of his cousin, a hay and grain merchant, with whom he remained six months, becoming favorably impressed with the merits of that busi-



ness. In 1893 Mr. Laplante located at Fall River, here establishing the wholesale hay and grain business with which he has since been connected as owner and head. For the last nine years his ware house has been located at No. 168 Plymouth Railroad Siding, and the business has grown to one of large proportions. During five years of this period of thirty years, throughout which he has been in business at Fall River, Mr. Laplante handled country produce, but hay, straw, grain, etc., are his standard lines. Fortune has come to him in a legitimate, honorable way, and he is highly regarded in his city.

In politics Mr. Laplante is a Democrat, and in 1905, 1908, 1911, and 1914, he served as a member of the Board of Assessors, and since 1914 he has served continuously as one of the three members of the Board of Police Commissioners of Fall River. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, also a member of the Boston Fruit Exchange, but his business is his chief interest.

Mr. Laplante married, in Upton, Massachusetts, in 1888, Emilie Bernard, daughter of Camile and Mary Bernard. Mr. and Mrs. Laplante are the parents of seven children: Donald, Aurora, and Lucienne (who married Lorenzo E. Savard, a sketch of whom follows), all graduates of the Convent of Jesus-Mary of Fall River; Orient, a graduate of Holy Cross College, now a student in Harvard Law School; Laurette, a graduate of Dominican Convent and Academy of Fall River; Agathe, a graduate of the same institution as her sister Laurette; and Irene.

**LORENZO EDMUND SAVARD**—Taking a leading place in the real estate and insurance activities of Fall River, Massachusetts, Lorenzo Edmund Savard is bearing a very largely significant part in the general advance of the city of Fall River and the county of Bristol. Progressive in spirit and deeply interested in all that pertains to the local progress, Mr. Savard is numbered among the really noteworthy young men of the city. He is a member of a family of prominence in the Province of Quebec, Canada, and is a son of George Savard, who was born in that province in the year 1857, but has for many years been a resident of Fall River, and has been active as a fireman in the textile plants of this city for more than a quarter of a century. The mother, Marie (Tremblay) Savard, was also born in the Province of Quebec, and is now a resident of Fall River.

Lorenzo Edmund Savard was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 14, 1893. His early education was received in the local parochial schools, and he later had the advantage of a two years' course at the Rogers & Allen Business School of this city. His first experience in the business world was in the capacity of clerk, but he soon filled the position of bookkeeper, and was employed by leading Fall River concerns. On October 1, 1915, Mr.

Savard established his present interest in the real estate and insurance field, securing offices at No. 103 Pleasant street, Fall River. The following year he removed to more desirable quarters at Suite No. 217, Granite Block, where he is still located. He handles a general line of insurance, representing the Travelers Insurance Company of Hartford, Connecticut, and other leading insurance companies, and his aggressive activities in encouraging and promoting the insurance idea in this section has thus far been an influence in the right direction as far as the economic security of the people is concerned. His position in the real estate world has become one of importance, and he is considered one of the very successful operators of the day, handling real estate on a brokerage basis largely, and making a specialty of mortgages. He is a member of the Fall River Board of Underwriters, and is affiliated with the world of finance as treasurer of the Bowenville Loan Association. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and gives his best endeavors to the forwarding of every movement which has for its object the civic advance of the people's welfare. During the World War Mr. Savard enlisted in the United States Army as a member of a casualty company, and was in France for three months, being assigned to construction activities there. He was in the service altogether for about five months, then upon receiving his honorable discharge from the service returned to Fall River and resumed the interests of civilian life. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Savard has never thus far accepted the honors or responsibilities of elective office, but is an enthusiastic advocate of the principles of his party. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 118; and he is past dictator of the Loyal Order of Moose, Lodge No. 456. He has recently represented his lodge in the latter order at the national convention of Moose. He is a member of the local post of the American Legion, in which he has served on the executive council. He is a member of L'Union St. Jean Baptiste d'Amerique; his social affiliations include membership in the Calumet Club; and he attends the Roman Catholic church.

Lorenzo E. Savard married, in Fall River, on June 12, 1923, Lucienne Laplante, who was born in Fall River, and is a daughter of Isaie Laplante (a sketch of whom precedes), and Emilie (Bernard) Laplants, both natives of the Province of Quebec, Canada.

**FORREST M. HARRIMAN**—In an industrial city like Taunton, Massachusetts, the activities of Forrest M. Harriman bear large significance to the general prosperity and advance, for as the proprietor of the Taunton Machine Company, he meets one of the daily needs of the production concern in every line of endeavor. With extensive experience behind him, Mr. Harriman is winning his own success and contributing to the forward movement of



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the community. Mr. Harriman comes of old New England stock, and is a son of Moses C. Harriman, an early photographer, highly skilled in his art, whose activities took him to many parts of the country—a man whose influence for the advance of photography in the early years of its development was very wide and in a high degree constructive. The mother, Mary (Couch) Harriman, was born in New Hampshire. The father died in 1899 and the mother in 1887.

Forrest M. Harriman was born at Warner, New Hampshire, August 25, 1879. His education was received in the public schools, and from the time of completing his education he has been active in the world of men and affairs. His first experience was in the employ of his father in the realm of photography, but the young man was of a highly mechanical turn of mind, and after two years he was interested with the Union Manufacturing Company, of Taunton, as construction man, and he associated with this concern for a period of twelve years. Then, in 1916, he established his present business, locating at No. 9 Tremont street, Taunton, and going forward under the title of the Taunton Machine Company. He does a general line of machine jobbing, and from the start has done a constantly growing business. He is now counted among the definitely successful men of the day in Bristol county, and with his attitude toward the daily progress of the community, and his unquestioned integrity as a business man, he may well be numbered among the foremost men of this city. Politically he supports the Republican party, but his time is filled to the exclusion of any public service, although he bears an unobtrusive part in every worthy movement. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Harriman married, in Taunton, in 1903, Olive H. Turner, daughter of William and Esther S. Turner, and they have one son: Fred L., born in 1905.

**HENRY LEONARD CONANT**—A native of Taunton, Massachusetts, and son of natives of Taunton, Henry Leonard Conant has spent practically his entire life to the present time (1923) in that city. His business is both a manufacturing and a mercantile concern, as he sells all sorts of musical instruments and also makes a specialty of violin making and repairing.

Mr. Conant, son of Henry B. Conant, a pattern maker of Taunton, and of Rebecca J. (Woodward) Conant, was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, September 15, 1867. He received his early education in the public school of his native city and attended Bristol Academy. Upon the completion of his academic course he went with his father, with whom he learned the trade of the patternmaker and with whom he remained until 1900, at which time he established himself in business for himself. He opened a store in the Wilbur block, on Main street, where he began selling musical instruments. The enterprise proved successful from the beginning,

and three months after he engaged in the business, he removed to the Taylor building, Room No. 78, where he remained for five years. He then removed to his present location at No. 2 Prescott street. During the nearly a quarter of a century which has passed since he first embarked in business life, Mr. Conant has been steadily increasing the number of his patrons, and also adding to the range of instruments sold. As new inventions have from time to time made changes in the musical world, he has been among the first to offer them for sale in Taunton. His display rooms are always attractive, and the prompt and courteous service given attracts new patrons and holds the old ones. An interesting department of the business is the manufacturing branch, which requires much skill and care, and in which Mr. Conant has specialized. He makes violins and also repairs them. Mr. Conant has hosts of friends in Taunton, both among those of his own age and also among the older people, who knew his father and his grandfather before him. His religious connection is with the Methodist Episcopal church of Taunton.

In November, 1890, Henry Leonard Conant married Mary L. Bowles, of Wareham, Massachusetts, daughter of Israel and Mary (Briggs) Bowles. Mr. and Mrs. Conant are the parents of four children: 1. Ida L., who was born in 1891. 2. Marjorie B., born in 1892. 3. Mildred G., who was born in 1894. 4. Earl L., who died in 1917.

**WILLIAM FRANCIS HARTICON**—While William F. Harticon, dealer in imported mill supplies is a native son of Fall River, Massachusetts, his parents, William Francis and Mary A. (Burke) Harticon, were born in Saratoga county, New York State. William Francis Harticon, Sr., a carpenter, died at Fall River in 1890, his widow yet surviving him (1923). The business of which William F. Harticon is now the head he founded in 1916 and removed to its present site, No. 28 Borden street, Fall River, in 1918. Mr. Harticon is an energetic young business man and has won success in his field of activity, a highly competitive one, it may be said.

William F. Harticon was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 3, 1889, and obtained a good commercial education in the city public schools. After leaving school he entered the employ of the Byron W. Anthony Company, continuing with that corporation for ten years as clerk, bookkeeper and outside salesman. In 1916 he resigned his position to engage in the mill supply business, his first location on Second street. He moved two years later to his present location and has built up a prosperous business. He specializes in textile machinery and imported mill supplies, maintaining an office at No. 29 Lancaster avenue, Manchester, England. He has a local representative at Greenville, South Carolina, and is interested in the Mt. Hope Electric Company, organized in 1920, that corporation dealing in electric supplies. A specialty with Mr. Harticon is the imported "Minimax" cone belts, made in England.

In politics, Mr. Harticon maintains a strictly independent attitude toward the parties, and in his religious faith he is a Roman Catholic. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce of Fall River, United States Chamber of Commerce, Fall River Country Club, the Quequechan Club, and the Patrons of Husbandry.

Mr. Harticon married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, May 7, 1918, Maude L. Gallagher, born in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, daughter of Frank R. and Addie (Wrightmire) Gallagher, her parents both born in New York State. Mr. and Mrs. Harticon are the parents of a daughter, Janet Frances, born February 27, 1920, and of a son, William Francis (3), born April 29, 1922. The family home is at Central Village, Massachusetts, near Westport.

**JOSEPH HENRY HINDLE**—As superintendent of the print works division of the American Printing Company, Joseph Henry Hindle is identified with the largest cotton weaving and calico printing concern in Fall River. An Englishman by birth, and son of a cotton manufacturer, he attended school in Scotland, has had extended experience in South America and in Canada; and in this country is well known as an expert in the chemical department of the cotton manufacturing industry.

Mr. Hindle was born in Darwen, Lancashire, England, April 19, 1866, son of Haworth and Elizabeth (Watson) Hindle, the former of whom was born in Church, England, and was proprietor of a large print works in Scotland, and the latter of whom was a native of Darwen, England. He received his early education in the public schools of Busby, Renfrewshire, Scotland, and after completing a high school course in Glasgow, Scotland, became a student in Anderson's College of Chemistry in Glasgow. After completing a four-year course in the College of Chemistry he was connected with the Busby Print Works for a time as head chemist, and then went to Brazil, South America, where for three years he served as superintendent of the print works at Port Alegre. When he severed that connection he accepted a position as superintendent of the Dominion Cotton Company, now the Dominion Textile Company, at Magog, Province of Quebec, Canada, where he remained for a period of fifteen years. In 1912 he came to this country and was made superintendent of the American Printing Company of Fall River. The concern is the largest of its kind in New England, employing more than 3,500 employees, and it is Mr. Hindle's duty to inspect all dyes, chemicals, etc., used in the great manufactory. His thorough technical training, together with his unusually wide and varied experience, have qualified him for expert service, and he is discharging the duties of his position with notable efficiency.

Mr. Hindle is a member of the Chemical Society of America; the Dyers' Association of England; the National Cotton Manufacturers' Association, which he serves as a member of the committee on

dye stuffs in the cotton section; and of the New England Textile Club. He is also identified with the Association of Textiles and Colors of America; and with the Textile Chemists of America. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. He is a member of the Quequechan Club and the Fall River Country Club; and his religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church.

On September 15, 1896, at Glasgow, Scotland, Joseph Henry Hindle married Agnes Brown McCartney, daughter of William and Margaret (McCartney) McCartney. Mr. and Mrs. Hindle have no children.

**WALLACE W. GIBSON**—Taking a broadly practical part in the business life of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Wallace W. Gibson is achieving marked success in linotype composition for the trade, and in this field he is doing a very extensive and constantly growing business. Trained in a local printing office, and with wide experience in other sections, Mr. Gibson is highly skilled in his business, and is doing work of the finest class. He is a native of the State of Massachusetts, and a member of an old family noted in every generation from the pioneer of Colonial times until the present day for men of courage, energy and signal usefulness. His father, George Gibson, died in his childhood, but his mother, Jessie L. (Hawkins) Gibson, is still living.

Wallace W. Gibson was born in Grafton, Massachusetts, August 8, 1881. His education was received in the public schools of Ware, Massachusetts, and the Fall River High School, from which he was graduated in the class of 1897. Dependent upon his own exertions for a livelihood, the young man then secured a position with the Taunton "Gazette," where he spent four years, and in the course of that period learned the printer's trade. To gain breadth of experience he then went to New York City, and then for a time was employed in the magazine "Good Housekeeping." In the year 1912 Mr. Gibson returned to Taunton and opened a printing office at No. 40 Tremont street, in this city. For a few years he did all kinds of printing, but the great demand for linotype work, such as catalogs, books, pamphlets, etc., determined him upon making a specialty of this line, and thus for a number of years he has done practically nothing but linotype work for the trade. Making an undeviating rule of fine quality and the best of service, Mr. Gibson has developed a very prosperous and steadily growing business, and is one of the leaders in his field in this part of the State. A Republican by political affiliation, he takes only the interest of the progressive citizen in public affairs, and his time is so fully commanded by his business that he has few outside interests.

Mr. Gibson married, on September 22, 1901, in Taunton, Alice Tinkham, daughter of Walter I. and Ella (Nickerson) Tinkham. They have two children: Edith, born in 1903; and Albert, born in 1910.



**HOWARD ALBERT GARDNER**—In the line of manufacturing, for which North Attleboro, Massachusetts, has become widely and justly famous, Howard Albert Gardner holds a prominent position as treasurer of the Bugbee & Niles Company, jewelry manufacturers, of North Attleboro. Mr. Gardner has followed this general line of activity throughout his career, and has won prominence in his chosen field of endeavor. He is a son of George A. Gardner of Plainville, Massachusetts, the Gardner family being one of the oldest in that community and always prominent in progressive effort along various lines, the father having been a manufacturer of jewelry and is now retired. The mother, Cora L. (Cobb) Gardner, is also a native of this State.

Howard Albert Gardner was born at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, June 5, 1885. His education was received in the public and high schools of this community, and his first business experience was in the employ of Coddling Brothers & Heilborn, manufacturing jewelers of North Attleboro, in which connection he remained for one year. He then identified himself with the H. D. Merritt Company, where he had full charge of the presses, and remained in this connection for about four years. Mr. Gardner then established himself in business in a similar line of endeavor, locating in Plainville, Massachusetts, and for about six years he was increasingly successful, developing a really prosperous and thriving interest. The entire plant was then destroyed by fire and he removed to Providence, Rhode Island, in 1911, making a fresh start in the same general line. There he was active under the firm name of the Kohinoor Novelty Company, and he continued at the head of that concern until 1920. He then sold the interest to become affiliated with the present concern in North Attleboro, in the office of treasurer. The Bugbee & Niles Company was established in 1859 and from its inception has manufactured gold jewelry, producing general lines in great variety. Their growth and development have been steady and continuous, and now they occupy an entire floor in a large building on Chestnut street, employing about eighty hands. It is one of the oldest concerns in this part of the State and they also hold front rank in production. Mrs. Irma Chisholm is president of the company. Mr. Gardner is the active manager of the concern and he is a member of the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association. His further business affiliations include a directorship in the Plainville Loan Association. He is a supporter of the Republican party in political matters, but has thus far never accepted the honors and responsibilities of public office. His religious connection is with the First Church of Christ (Scientist), of Attleboro.

Mr. Gardner married, in 1911, Marjorie Bishop of North Attleboro, daughter of Arthur S. and Harriett Bishop, Mr. Bishop, also a manufacturer of jewelry. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner are the parents of three children: Jane Elizabeth, born March, 1912; Norman, born April, 1917; and Mary, born November, 1919.

**HAROLD D. BAKER**—In the refining of gold and silver, Harold D. Baker is a leading executive of a prominent concern of Attleboro, Massachusetts, and through his long experience in and close familiarity with the business he has won an extensive reputation as an authority on the refining of these precious metals. Mr. Baker is a native of the State of Rhode Island, and a son of Edwin G. Baker, who died in 1919, and Margaret C. (Dean) Baker, who died in 1921. The elder Mr. Baker, who was born at Rehoboth, Massachusetts, was a dealer in hides and tallow, and a prominent citizen of Providence, Rhode Island, for many years. The mother was born at Lowell, Massachusetts.

Harold D. Baker was born at Providence, Rhode Island, June 22, 1872. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and he was graduated from the Providence High School in the class of 1890. Upon the completion of his studies Mr. Baker entered the employ of an elder brother, George M. Baker, who was active in the refining of gold and silver, and became superintendent of the plant. In 1899, forming a partnership with his brother, they established another business in the same line under the firm name of the Attleboro Refining Company, and for eighteen years the brothers were associated, then in 1918 George W. withdrew from the firm. Harold D. Baker has since been sole owner of the interest, and under his judicious, yet fearless management, the business has increased very extensively, until now this is not only the oldest concern in its line in Attleboro but the largest. During his long experience in this special field of endeavor Mr. Baker has applied many original ideas to the work of refining the precious metals, and the various devices or methods which he has originated are now not only in constant use in his own plant, but have been widely adopted and are considered vitally progressive. Mr. Baker is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, but has few interests which do not more or less closely concern his business affairs. He is a Republican by political faith, but has never been an office seeker. He was at one time a member of Company I, National Guard, of the State of Massachusetts, in which he served for a period of two years. Always affiliated with religious advance, he had been a member of the standing committee of the Second Congregational Church for a number of years.

Harold D. Baker married, on April 9, 1901, Nancy C. Packer of Providence, Rhode Island, daughter of James C. and Jennie (McLaughlin) Packer, the father born in Providence and the mother in Nova Scotia. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are the parents of two sons: Harold D., Jr., born May 3, 1902, a graduate of Dartmouth College, class of 1923; and Royal P., born October 8, 1904, now a student at the same institution. These sons are counted among the promising young men of Bristol county.

**GEORGE H. LANE**—One of the most noteworthy business enterprises in Taunton, Massa-



chusetts, is the boiler and machine works conducted by George H. Lane, located at No. 62 Weir street. Mr. Lane, as the sole owner of this business which he himself established some thirteen years ago, has won success in a broadly practical field of endeavor despite handicaps which would have discouraged most men and he commands the highest esteem and confidence of the people of Taunton. Mr. Lane is a son of Mathew T. Lane, deceased, who was a boiler-maker of Taunton, and Ellen W. (O'Brien) Lane, who survives her husband.

George H. Lane was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, October 30, 1873. His education was limited to the advantages of the public schools, but gifted with the practical ability and a facility for acquiring information from every source, Mr. Lane has gone forward to marked success. His first experience was in the same general field in which he is now engaged, and after mastering the trade of boiler-maker and machinist, he followed that trade until 1910, when he established his present business. In this center of industrial activity he has developed a large and prosperous business, making or repairing boilers for every purpose, and all kinds of machinery. Highly skilled in his trade, Mr. Lane is the sole owner of the present enterprise and is constantly going forward to larger success. He is a Republican by political affiliation and is a worker in the party, although never a leader in public affairs. Fraternally he is identified with Taunton Lodge, No. 82, Knights of Columbus; and he attends St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Lane married, at Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1911, Joanna V. Fahey, daughter of John and Katherine (Scanlon) Fahey. Her father was a puddler at the East Taunton Rolling Mill, and died about 1883. The mother died in 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Lane are the parents of six children: Priscilla, who was born in 1912; Patricia, born in 1914; George, born in 1916; John, born in 1917; Eleanor, born in 1918; and Mathew, born in 1922.

**WILLIAM H. MCKENNEY**—The rapid increase of the number of those who own and operate automobiles is dotting the country and crowding the cities with service stations, repair shops, and storage garages, and still the demand is not fully met. Among those who are successfully managing an enterprise which performs all of the above named services and also sells cars is William H. McKenney, owner and proprietor of the McKenney Garage. If you wish to have your car well taken care of, kept clean and in good repair, whether it be a Ford roadster or a Rolls-Royce touring car, Mr. McKenney will furnish just the service you need, unless you come too late and find the entire space of his garage occupied and all his men working at top speed. That is its normal condition these days, and if you wish service you had better speak early.

Born in Nova Scotia, Canada, September 16, 1889, Mr. McKenney is a son of Anthony D. McKenney, a successful carpenter of Nova Scotia, and

of Agnes N. (Nickerson) McKenney. His parents removed to Kennebunkport, Maine, when he was nine years of age, and he received his early and preparatory education in the public schools of that city, graduating from the high school in 1904. He then became a student in the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, where he won honors as pitcher on the college team. Upon the completion of his education, he entered the employ of the Presbrey Field Company, as electrician, and later became a member of the firm of the Mowrey Electric Company. In 1913 he opened a garage and repair shop in Taunton, taking an agency for the Saxon car, but due to unsettled conditions of the country at that time he was forced to give up his business. In 1917, after being drafted and exempted at Fort Greble, he went to Squantum, Massachusetts, where he entered the employ of the Fore River Ship Building Company, engaged in war work under government supervision. During this time he spent two years in the evening school of Lowell Institute, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, studying electrical engineering work. Later he entered the employ of the G. S. Whitman, automotive engineer, of Boston, and built a new garage on Jefferson avenue, in Taunton, and when the garage was completed he gave up his position in Boston and came to Taunton, where he engaged in automobile repair work, specializing in the electrical part. Later he took an agency for the Oakland car in this territory, and he is still successfully engaged in selling that car. In 1922 he made an addition to his establishment, which doubled its capacity, and the business is still rapidly growing. He carries a full line of accessories and supplies, and does all kinds of repairing. The garage is provided with the best modern equipment, and is up-to-date in every particular. Excellent workmanship and prompt and courteous service are steadily bringing new patrons to the McKenney Garage, which is located at Jefferson avenue. In addition to his business activities, Mr. McKenney has found time to take an active interest in Young Men's Christian Association work, especially in the war work. When he first came to Taunton he lived at the Young Men's Christian Association Dormitory and became popular in the athletic activities of the association, often assisting the physical director. For more than two years he served as assistant superintendent of the Boys' Club. He is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, and of the Taunton Auto Club, and is always ready to contribute his share to any project which he believes to be well planned for the advancement of the public interest.

On October 16, 1912, William H. McKenney married Alma Rankin, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Daniel and Martha J. (Purchase) Rankin. Mr. and Mrs. McKenney have no children.

**JAMES T. CLAFFY**—The real estate and insurance business of which James T. Claffy is the head comprises one of the broadly significant and im-

portant enterprises of its kind in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts. With long experience in the business world and the assured position of the successful man-of-affairs, Mr. Claffy is taking a constructive and progressive part in present day activities, and his name is one to which the people refer with confidence and pride.

James T. Claffy was born in the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, June 28, 1858, and is a son of James and Mary (Kilroy) Claffy, both natives of Ireland. Both died in Mr. Claffy's early childhood, the mother in 1860 and the father in 1862. In the public and high schools of his native city of Taunton, Mr. Claffy received a practical education, and his first business experience was in the employ of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, in the capacity of invoice clerk. He remained with this concern for a period of twelve years, rising to the position of bookkeeper, then to the responsibilities of paymaster. He next became identified with the Cohanet Mills, in which connection he was active for twelve years as paymaster, then, in 1900, he entered his present general field. For about fifteen years Mr. Claffy was associated with E. T. Jackson & Company, at that time a leading firm of real estate and insurance brokers, then, in 1915, he entered the organization of C. H. Earl & Company. This concern was founded in 1902 by C. H. Earl, who received as a partner John H. Eldridge. After five years Mr. Eldridge withdrew from the firm and Mr. Earl went forward independently until his death, which occurred January 1, 1917. Mrs. Earl conducted the business for one year, but on January 1, 1918, she received Edward I. Fannon into partnership, and this arrangement continued until June 1, 1920. On that date James T. Claffy purchased the interest and was sole owner until July 1, 1922, when he received as a partner Harry H. Townsend. The firm name of C. H. Earl & Company has remained unchanged, and with offices in the Union Block building, at No. 5 Main street, they are doing a very extensive and constantly growing business in real estate and general insurance. In the public life of the municipality Mr. Claffy has long taken a deep interest, but has never accepted public responsibility of any kind until his election to the City Council from his ward (the eighth) and in this body he has served for only one year. Fraternally he is a charter member and financial secretary of the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters in Taunton, and he is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Immaculate Conception.

Mr. Claffy married, in 1885, Margaret T. Browne, of Charlestown, Massachusetts, daughter of John and Mary Browne, old residents of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Claffy have two children: John M., a graduate of the University of Vermont, degree of Doctor of Medicine, who served as lieutenant of the Thirty-second Engineers during the World War; and Marguerite M., a graduate of the Perry Kindergarten Normal School of Boston, and now a teacher at the Fuller School, of Taunton.

**HIRAM B. BUFFINTON**—The name of Buffinton has for two generations been identified with the profession of undertaking and funeral directing, and for upwards of half a century in both Rhode Island and Massachusetts it has held an honored place in this field of endeavor. The father in Rhode Island and the son in Massachusetts have both won large prominence in this exacting profession, and the son is still active as the head of his own interest in Taunton. Philip Buffinton, who was born in Swansea, Massachusetts, established undertaking parlors in Warren, Rhode Island, in the year 1875, and continued there for many years. He is still (1923) living at the great age of ninety-five years, and although he has been practically retired for a considerable time, he is one of the oldest living men in this profession. The mother, Lydia A. (Gardner) Buffinton, was born at Somerset, Massachusetts, and is still living at the age of eighty-seven.

Hiram B. Buffinton was born at Swansea, Massachusetts, December 24, 1857. His education was begun in the local public schools and he later attended the Friends' School at Providence, Rhode Island, after which he took a practical commercial course at the Bryant & Stratton Business School at Providence. His first experience was in association with his father in Warren, Rhode Island, where Philip Buffinton was then one of the leading undertakers of the time, and Hiram B. Buffinton remained with his father from 1875 to 1888. He then went to Fall River, where he bought out the undertaking business of E. S. Raymond and conducted the interest under his own name until 1891, after which he sold out and went to Brockton, Massachusetts, where he acted as head embalmer for Howard Clark & Company for about one year. Next going to Providence, Rhode Island, and entering the furniture business with a partner, he went forward under the name of Eames & Buffinton for a short time. In 1895 Mr. Buffinton settled permanently in Taunton, opening a funeral directing and undertaking business at Nos. 11 and 13 Broadway. For a full quarter of a century he continued under his own name; then, in 1920, he received as a partner William L. Ripley, and the interest was incorporated under the name of Buffinton & Ripley. With headquarters at No. 32 Barnum street, they have a thoroughly modern and up-to-date equipment, and are commanding the patronage of the leading families of Taunton and vicinity. Mr. Buffinton is probably the oldest undertaker in point of active consecutive service in Taunton, and he is counted among the broadly representative citizens of the day. Supporting the Republican party in political affairs, he gives his influence to all worthy advance, but has never accepted public office. Fraternally he is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar, and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is further a member of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Knights of Malta; Taunton Lodge, Knights

of Pythias; and the Order of the Eastern Star. His religious affiliation is with Grace Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Buffinton married, in 1878, at Warren, Rhode Island, Cora H. Surgens, of Warren, Rhode Island, daughter of William H. Surgens of Warren, Rhode Island, who died in 1865. He was a carpenter by trade and was a veteran of the Civil War, having organized and drilled a company of Rhode Island men. He was discharged with the rank of first lieutenant. The mother, Isabella M. (Peck) Surgens, of Bristol, Rhode Island, was a member of an old family of that town, and died in 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Buffinton are the parents of one child: Mary Howard, a graduate of the high school and of East Greenwich Academy, now the wife of William L. Ripley, Jr.

**MANUEL A. DUPONT**—A successful operator in automobile activities in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Manuel A. Dupont is widely known as a prominent garage man of East Taunton, Massachusetts, also being active as a sales agent for this territory of the Chevrolet car. Mr. Dupont's practical business ability has placed him in a position of independence, and has given to the public a thoroughly efficient automobile service and sales station. Mr. Dupont is a son of Manuel M. Dupont, who throughout his lifetime was active as a farmer in the suburbs of Taunton, Massachusetts, and his death, which occurred in 1917, removed from the community a useful and estimable citizen. The mother, Johanna (Sylvia) Dupont, was also born in Taunton, Massachusetts, and her death occurred in the same year as that of her husband.

Manuel A. Dupont was born in East Taunton, Massachusetts, March 16, 1889. His education was received in the local public schools and Taunton High School. After leaving high school Mr. Dupont took a special course of three years in the Bristol County School of Business, this covering very comprehensively the many phases of commercial practice in constant use today, also telegraphy. His first experience was as telegraph operator in the Taunton railroad depot, but he later entered the employ of the Colby Company, where for ten years he was active as a salesman in their department store in Taunton, Massachusetts. Upon resigning from this position he became identified with the General Electric Company, and remained with that concern for two years. Mr. Dupont then established himself in business with a partner under the title of the D. & M. Garage of East Taunton, Massachusetts. This enterprise was successful from the first, and has developed to be a largely prosperous and widely significant interest. L. J. Munise, Mr. Dupont's associate, is also a practical mechanic and business man, and they have developed one of the important garages in this section, located at the corner of Middleboro and Old Colony avenues, East Taunton, Massachusetts. They have a complete and modern garage equipment, and with efficient assistants they furnish the motoring public of this vicinity

with thoroughly satisfactory service. As representatives of the Chevrolet car in this district, these progressive men hold a position of dignity and influence in automobile circles, and their sales are constantly mounting higher. Mr. Dupont is a Democrat by political affiliation, but has never been interested in public affairs beyond his duty as a progressive citizen. He has few interests outside of his business, and is a member of the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Family.

Mr. Dupont married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, March 31, 1913, Armand Blain, of Taunton, Massachusetts, and they have two children: Irene J., born in 1919; and James G., born in 1920.

**JAMES M. WESTGATE** of Taunton, Massachusetts, stands behind the foundry industries of the United States in a special line of manufacture, the plant of which he is a leading executive producing graphite crucibles and retorts. In the manufacture of these special pieces of foundry equipment the Bay State Crucible Company is counted one of the most important on this continent and their product is accepted as standard throughout the trade. Mr. Westgate is a member of an old Massachusetts family and a son of James Edward and Eliza Jane (Terry) Westgate, both natives of Berkely, Massachusetts. His father was active as a brick manufacturer, and is now associated with his son, James M. His mother died in 1884.

James M. Westgate was born at Berkely, Massachusetts, May 1, 1874. Receiving a practical education in the public schools, he learned the trade of machinist in the factory of N. R. Davis & Son, where he was active for five years. For about ten years thereafter he was engaged in the field of steam engineering at various points, then in 1907, in association with E. D. Paige, established the Paige Retort and Crucible Company, which, for about five years, enjoyed a remarkable growth, and in the course of that time became one of the foremost concerns of its kind in this section. The death of Mr. Paige in 1912 made necessary reorganization, and the business has since continued under the name of the Bay State Crucible Company. Mr. Westgate was with the organization from its inception. F. D. Williams is president of the concern, and Mr. Westgate acts as treasurer and general manager, and this completes the personnel of the corporation, these progressive and forward looking men having carried this enterprise to a very high mark of achievement. The plant is located on Presbry court and consists of about 57,000 square feet of floor space. This is fitted out with the most modern and approved equipment, and they make graphite crucibles and retorts from the very smallest to those having a capacity of 1,500 pounds of metal. They employ twenty skilled hands and their product goes to all parts of the United States. Mr. Westgate's activities have been largely responsible for the steady development and present importance of this enterprise, and he is counted among the really significant men of the day in the city of



Taunton. He is affiliated with the world of finance of Bristol county as a director of the Old Colony Coöperative Bank. His fraternal affiliations are with Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Manchester Unity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and the Knights of Malta. He is a member of the Methodist church.

Mr. Westgate married, in 1897, Lucy K. Benton, of Bristol county, Massachusetts, daughter of William and Lizzie (Pierce) Benton. Mr. and Mrs. Westgate are the parents of two children: Faustina M., and Lucy May, the latter deceased.

**LOUIS M. THEROUX**—An interesting and largely prosperous industrial plant of Taunton, Massachusetts, is the one conducted by Louis M. Theroux at No. 16 Howard street, this enterprise being a leading one in Bristol county in the manufacture and distribution of ice cream. Established fourteen years ago in Taunton, this business has developed rapidly until it holds a leading position in this section. Mr. Theroux is a son of Oliver and Josephine (Nadeau) Theroux, both natives of the Province of Quebec, Canada. The father, who was a laborer by occupation, died in 1922, the mother having passed away in 1915.

Louis M. Theroux was born in Canada, November 29, 1880. Receiving a practical educational training in the public schools, he entered the business world in connection with the summer resorts in the vicinity of Fall River, Massachusetts. This line of endeavor he found congenial, and possessing marked business ability he was very successful. It was not long before he was placed in charge of the many concessions of these resorts, and he continued along this line for a period of nine years. Thereafter for about six years he was employed by the Middleboro Electric Railroad, after which he came to East Taunton and established himself in the bakery business. There he carried on a prosperous wholesale and retail interest for three years, and in the course of that time gained a thorough insight into the opportunities in this and allied fields. Mr. Theroux was led thereby to establish the present enterprise in Taunton, and his great success has proved his wisdom in entering this field of endeavor. His sole product is ice cream, and, occupying the entire building at No. 16 Howard street, he supplies the most exclusive trade within a radius of fifteen miles, this business ranking as one of the largest and most important in this part of the city. From a very small beginning Mr. Theroux has carried this enterprise to a point where it commands the admiration and respect of all, building up his business wholly by his own energy and practical ability. To achieve the results now so clearly apparent, he has worked early and late, devoting himself unstintedly to the development of his business. His plant is up-to-date in every particular, fitted out with the most modern and approved equipment, with every attention given to absolutely perfect sanitary conditions. The product of the Theroux plant is not only a delicious delicacy but a very healthful food. Mr.

Theroux supports the Republican party in political affairs, but has always been too busy to accept public responsibility of any kind. Fraternally he is well known, being a member of Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Knights of Columbus; Nemasket Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, in which he holds various offices; Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, and the Catholic Total Abstinence Association. He is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

**RALPH M. TUCKER**—A leading figure in the automobile business of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Ralph M. Tucker, who for the past five years has represented the Studebaker cars in this section, and as a progressive and forward-looking executive he is commanding the esteem and confidence not only of his contemporaries in automobile activities, but among the people generally. Mr. Tucker has been identified with motor car interests since the completion of his education, and is thoroughly familiar with cars from the mechanical as well as the mercantile standpoint. A native of the State of Massachusetts, he is a son of Frederick A. and Alice (Chase) Tucker, his father for many years a leading furniture dealer of Lynn, Massachusetts, later of Taunton.

Ralph M. Tucker was born in Lynn, Massachusetts, July 19, 1887. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and after attending the Taunton schools for one year, he spent two years at Dean Academy. His first business experience was with the Robinson Motor Car Company, of Taunton, where he was active for a period of four years. He then accepted a position in the employ of the Perry Automobile Company, Inc., of Taunton, and in this affiliation he continued until 1914. Thereafter for four years he was with the firm of Brownell & Burt, then formed his present connection. With headquarters at No. 35 Weir street, Mr. Tucker has since 1918 distributed Studebaker cars over an unrestricted territory, and his success forms an interesting chapter in the annals of motor car advance in Bristol county. His rise has been a matter of close attention to business added to natural ability, which counts for success in any field, and the force and initiative which have carried him to his present position have contributed much to the general welfare. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Tucker has been too busy to accept public duties, but gives his aid and support to all worthy advance. Fraternally he is identified with Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Sabbatia Lodge, No. 225, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Winthrop and Bristol clubs, and attends the Unitarian church.

Mr. Tucker married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1915, Mary Florence Robinson, daughter of James and Ellen Robinson, and they have three children: Robinson N., born in 1916; Emily, born in 1920;

and Frank A., born in 1922. Mr. Tucker and his family reside at No. 73 Summer street, Taunton.

**GEORGE PARLEY GILMORE**—From a draftsman in 1890, George P. Gilmore has risen to his present responsible position, plant engineer of the American Printing Company of Fall River, the largest of all Fall River's cotton manufacturing plants, one entire floor of one building being devoted to the drafting department under his direction. He is a son of John R. Gilmore, a veteran of the Civil War, whose service was performed with the Forty-sixth Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He married Nellie Hitchcock, and at the time of the birth of their son, George, the family home was in Springfield, Massachusetts.

George P. Gilmore was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, May 1, 1872, but soon afterward, Holyoke became the family residence, and there he was educated in the public schools. He prepared himself for a professional career in the textile manufacturing and became a draftsman and engineer, beginning in 1890, a young man of eighteen years, with Samuel M. Green & Company. He became thoroughly conversant with mill engineering and in 1900, after ten years with Samuel M. Green & Company, he became mechanical engineer with the American Thread Company, remaining with that corporation until 1909. From that year until 1912 he was located at Fall River as a consulting engineer, coming in 1912 to his present position, plant engineer with the American Printing Company. He stands high among his contemporaries of the textile field and is one of the capable, efficient men of the business.

Mr. Gilmore is a member of the Masonic order, affiliated with all bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he holds the thirty-second degree; is a member of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; member of the Mystic Order, Knights of the Enchanted Realm; the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the American Society of Mechanical Engineers; the Rotary Club; the Burns Club; the Quequechan Club, and the Baptist church.

In North Stonington, Connecticut, August 6, 1903, Mr. Gilmore married Effiejen Palmer, daughter of Thomas P. and Martha (Larkin) Palmer. Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore are the parents of a daughter: Effie Eleanor Gilmore, born March 11, 1916. The family home is at No. 46 Dudley street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**CLARENCE E. GREENE**—In the graphic arts Clarence E. Greene holds a leading position in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, and specializing in the work required by the jewelry trade, the scope of his activities extends throughout the East and Middle West. Mr. Greene is a son of Arthur Greene of Auburn, Rhode Island. The mother, Harriet L. (Greene) Greene, is also a native of Rhode Island, and a member of the old family of that

name descended from Nathanael Greene of Revolutionary fame, and in every generation prominent in that State.

Clarence E. Greene, second son of these parents, was born at Auburn, Rhode Island, August 4, 1889. His education was begun in the North Attleboro public schools, and he was graduated from the high school of this town in the class of 1908. Only two years thereafter Mr. Greene, in association with his brother, Jesse E., and his father, founded the present printing business under the title of the Commercial Press. Their first location was in the Boyle Block, now called the Burt building. They remained there, however, for only a short time, after which they removed to their present location at No. 100 North Washington street. Having gained practical preparation in this line of endeavor, Clarence E. Greene and his brother, Jesse E. Greene, heads of the enterprise, have carried it forward to large success, and they now occupy two floors, employing about twelve people. Doing a general line of job and commercial printing, they specialize in the former line and catalog work. Their beginning was very small, having only one press for a time and that operated by foot power, but their growth and development have been very rapid and they now are considered leaders in the line of their specialty, the scope of their operations covering the entire territory east of Chicago. Their present plant is fully equipped with modern labor-saving devices and the most approved machinery. Mr. Greene is a member of the North Attleboro Board of Trade and the Boston Typothetae, and in political affiliation is a supporter of the Republican party, although never thus far an office holder. Fraternally he is a member of Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Rabboni Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Aurora Lodge, No. 107, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is past warden; and Tribe No. 110, Improved Order of Red Men. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Greene married, November 26, 1920, Ruth A. Robinson, of Oldtown, Massachusetts, daughter of Daniel Robinson of North Attleboro, a manufacturing jeweler, and a descendant of Obed Robinson, one of the pioneer jewelers of this section. The mother, Clara (Ellis) Robinson, was a native of North Attleboro.

Jesse E. Greene, younger son of Arthur and Harriet L. (Greene) Greene, was born at Auburn, Rhode Island, December 8, 1891. His education was received in the public and high schools of North Attleboro, and immediately following his high school education he became associated with his brother in the present enterprise under the title of the Commercial Press. He has been a definite factor in the development and progress of the business, and is now numbered among the leading young men in the printing business in Bristol county. Politically he supports the Republican party, and he is active as a member of the local Board of Trade. Fraternally he is affiliated with North Attleboro Lodge, No. 1011, Benevolent and Protective Order

of Elks, and Providence Council, United Commercial Travelers Association. He is unmarried.

**HAROLD BENJAMIN JOHNSTON**—In one of the most important industrial organizations of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Mr. Johnston holds the responsible position of paymaster, this concern being the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, where about 1,500 employees are engaged in the manufacture of cotton goods, blankets, etc. Mr. Johnston is a member of a very old family of Bristol county, and his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Johnston, was one of the first to establish a business at Whittenton, a suburb of Taunton, which has been built up around the great mills of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company. Mrs. Johnston conducted a general store for the sale of all kinds of merchandise and was the active and sole head of the business for many years. W. A. Johnston, Mr. Johnston's father, was born in Taunton and spent his active lifetime in railroad interests, his death occurring in 1916, at a comparatively early age. The mother, Caroline P. (Newson) Johnston, was born at Kingston, Prince Edward Island, Canada, and is still living.

Harold Benjamin Johnston was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 12, 1894. His education was begun in the public schools of Taunton, where the family removed in his childhood, and he was graduated from Taunton High School in the class of 1913. Later attending Burdette Business College of Boston, Massachusetts, he was graduated from that institution in due course, then later took up a special course in accountancy at a Young Men's Christian Association School in New York City. On the completion of this course, Mr. Johnston returned to his native State and entered the employ of C. Reckard, of Whittenton, Massachusetts, as clerk in a drug store, and continued in that connection during different periods of a space of twelve years. During that time, however, he acted as bookkeeper for the Bristol County National Bank for one year and at the end of that period he entered the employ of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company. It was in April, 1916, that Mr. Johnston entered the employ of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, accepting the position of paymaster, and in this connection it is well worthy of remark, that he is probably one of the youngest paymasters in a wide region for such an important corporation as this one. Mr. Johnston has been with this concern continuously since, with the exception of his military service, and he has few interests outside of his work.

Always interested in military affairs, Mr. Johnston held the rank of first sergeant of the High School Cadets in Taunton High School. On July 8, 1918, he enlisted for service in the World War as sergeant of the 22nd Company, Coast Artillery Corps, and was assigned to duty, first, at Fort Slocum, then was later transferred to Fort Hamilton. The division to which he was assigned was known as the Coast Defense of Southern New

York, and he served in that connection until his discharge, which was received on December 25, 1918. In political affairs, Mr. Johnston supports the Republican party, but has never thus far sought nor desired public office. Fraternally he is identified with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he is a member of the American Legion. His religious affiliation is with the Broadway Congregational Church.

Mr. Johnston married, January 25, 1915, Elsa G. Miller, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of August Charles and Margaret (Peatlandt) Miller, her father a designer by trade.

**ALBERT RAYMOND TAYLOR**, who for the past six years has been identified with the New England Brass Company, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is counted among the foremost executives of the younger group in Taunton, his activities as sales manager for this organization aligning his work closely with local progress, and also bringing him in touch with the trade throughout many States. Mr. Taylor is a native of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and is a son of Albert Taylor, who was born at Stackhead, Lancashire, England, and came to the United States as a young man. Settling in Fall River, Massachusetts, he became identified with the Webb Oil Company, with which concern he was active until his death, which occurred in 1920. He was a man of progressive spirit, and highly esteemed by all who knew him. The mother, Emma (Holmes) Taylor, who was born in Bolton, England, still survives the husband and father.

Albert Raymond Taylor was born in the city of Fall River, Massachusetts, July 23, 1894. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and he prepared for his career at Rogers & Allen's Commercial School of Fall River, of which he is a graduate. His first business experience was in the employ of the Kerr Mill, at Fall River, where he remained for three years. Then coming to Taunton, Mr. Taylor entered the employ of the Whittenton Manufacturing Company, in which connection he was active for three years. Thereafter, for one year, he was with the American Print Works, then in January, 1917, he formed his present association with the New England Brass Company, as sales manager. This concern was founded in 1916, for the rolling of various metals and their preparation for and distribution among the silver and jewelry industries. The growth of the enterprise has been remarkable, and now they employ about eighty people and occupy about 17,000 square feet of floor space, this being the largest interest of its kind outside of the great brass centers of Connecticut. Mr. Taylor is one of the popular young men of the day in Bristol county, and is affiliated fraternally with Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic



Shrine, of Boston. He is also a member of Star Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and the Knights of Malta. He is a member of the Bristol Club, and his religious affiliation is with the Episcopal church.

Mr. Taylor married, in May, 1920, Florence Hanford, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Peck) Hanford, of Taunton, and they have one daughter, Alberta, born in September, 1921.

**ALBERT A. HALL**—In the garage business in Taunton, Massachusetts, Albert A. Hall has distinguished himself as a broadly capable executive, and the enterprise of which he has been the managing head for the past four years is giving the strongest evidence of his energy and ability. Mr. Hall has had other experience in the business world, and with breadth of interests and the resourcefulness of the thoroughly wide-awake business man, he has taken a leading position in automobile service in this vicinity. Mr. Hall is a son of Anthony F. and Frances (Staples) Hall, and his father, who was a molder by trade, died in 1917, while the mother is still (1923) living.

Albert A. Hall was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, August 8, 1880. His education was begun in the public schools of this city and he was graduated from Bristol Academy in the class of 1897. After the completion of his education Mr. Hall entered the employ of the Weir Stove Company, where he continued for a period of fifteen years. Thereafter, in partnership with his present associates, Mr. Hall purchased the Central Garage of Taunton, an enterprise which had been active for a number of years, but had up to that time been a rather small interest. Mr. Hall, as the active manager of the new organization, took up the affairs of the business with the large energy and far-sighted judgment that have since characterized his advance, with the result that this is now one of the most prominent garages in Bristol county, carrying a large amount of patronage. The business was incorporated in October, 1922, the officers being as follows: Fred L. Bostock, president; J. C. Hall, vice-president; and Albert A. Hall, treasurer. The growth of the business under the present administration has been remarkable, and this is now one of the largest single floor garages in this section. They are exclusively active in the sale of the Star and Durant machines, and have a complete and up-to-date service equipment. As a successful and leading business man of Taunton, Mr. Hall is prominently known throughout the city, and in political affairs he supports the Republican party, but has never desired nor accepted public office. Fraternally he is a member of Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and his clubs are the Bristol and Taunton Auto.

Mr. Hall married, at Taunton, in 1900, Grace Davis, daughter of Royal C. and Annie (Cushing) Davis, both now living, her father a brick mason by occupation. Mr. and Mrs. Hall are the parents of two children: Everett, born in 1902; and Maxine, born in 1906.

**FREEMONT W. LEONARD**—The purveying of the luxuries and delicacies of life is an art as well as a business, and in the manufacture and distribution of confectionery and ice cream Freemont W. Leonard, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is placing before the people the means of enjoying delicacies amid attractive surroundings, and at the same time of the highest quality. A thoroughgoing business man, Mr. Leonard appreciates the value of every phase of his activity, and Taunton is fortunate that the integrity on which his business is built is the watchword which governs every step, every operation in the production of these food luxuries. Mr. Leonard is a son of Philo Freemont Leonard, the founder of the present enterprise, a man of large ability and one of the most highly esteemed citizens of Taunton, who died in 1908.

Freemont W. Leonard was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, January 14, 1883. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1902. His earliest business experience was in the employ of his father in the manufacture of confectionery, and in this field he has been active uninterruptedly since. Mastering the business in its every detail, Mr. Leonard took over the management of the enterprise upon his father's death, and has since stood at the head, carrying it forward to ever larger success. With an advantageous location at No. 35 Main street, unchanged since the founding of the business by Philo F. Leonard in 1885, this store caters to the most exclusive trade; and is considered one of the finest of its kind in South-eastern Massachusetts. Mr. Leonard makes his own products, both confectionery and ice cream, and is a leader in his field in a wide district. Always in touch with the movement of the times, Mr. Leonard supports the Republican party in political issues, but has never permitted his name to be brought into public prominence in a political way. Fraternally he is identified with Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is a member of the Winthrop, Rotary, and Automobile clubs of Taunton. He has for years been a member of the Winslow Congregational Church.

Mr. Leonard married, in Taunton, in 1907, Olive Leavitt, daughter of Gilman and Sarah (Lee) Leavitt. Her father, who was a machinist by trade, and well known in this city, died in 1919. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard have three children: Merrill, born in 1910; Gilman, born in 1912; and Gladys, born in 1915.

**ARTHUR E. POOLE**—In one of the special lines of industrial advance in which Taunton, Massachusetts, as a municipality, takes a special pride, Arthur E. Poole has won marked success and fills a noteworthy position as manager of the Poole Silver Company, Inc., producers of silver-plated hollow-ware. With natural business ability and a broadly comprehensive education in special preparation for his present activities, Mr. Poole came into the organization of which his father was formerly the head well equipped to make his mark

in the world. Executive responsibility fell upon him long before the possibility was even anticipated, but he was able to meet the emergency and has risen to marked prominence in his field of industrial advance. Mr. Poole is a son of George Poole, who was born on Prince Edward Island, and for a number of years was a successful silver manufacturer of Taunton. He was the founder of the present enterprise, and carried it forward as the leading executive until his death, which occurred in the year 1907. The mother, Minnie L. (Craswell) Poole, was also born on Prince Edward Island and still survives her husband. Since his death she has taken an active part in the progress of the business and is president of the company.

Arthur E. Poole was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, May 4, 1888. His education was begun in the local public schools and he is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1906. He later took a special business course with the Alexander Hamilton Institute and a further course at the American Business School of Chicago, Illinois. From his boyhood he was interested in the progress of the present enterprise, and upon the completion of his education came into the concern as a leading member. This business was organized in the year 1892, under the name of Poole & Roach, and their plant was located at Whittenton, Massachusetts, a suburb of Taunton. The business was carried forward under the personal management of George Poole until the time of his death, and from a small beginning he developed a very considerable enterprise. Cut down in the prime of life, George Poole left to his wife and son the growing interest of the firm which in 1895 had been incorporated as the Poole Silver Company, Inc. Following the death of the founder, Mrs. Minnie L. (Craswell) Poole became president of the concern and Arthur E. Poole, treasurer. The young man went forward as business manager, having full control of the affairs of the concern from the time of his father's death, and under his hands it has become a significant and largely prosperous interest. They manufacture silver-plated hollow-ware, and with about 12,000 square feet of floor space, and about one hundred hands in their employ, make a specialty of rare and choice designs. Their product is appreciated by the trade and they ship to all parts of the United States and Canada. In his position as treasurer and manager of this concern, Mr. Poole holds a leading place in the younger group of industrial executives in Taunton. During the World War he served as a member of the 301st Field Artillery, and after a period at Camp Devens he was sent to France and was eventually discharged with the rank of sergeant major. His fraternal affiliations are with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Good Samaritan Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias. He is also a member of the Rotary Club and the Young Men's Christian Association, and he attends the Unitarian church.

Mr. Poole married, in July, 1922, Gertrude E.

Crane, of Avon, daughter of Harry and Minnie (Randall) Crane.

**HOWARD F. WOODWARD**—In these days when an auto service station and repair shop or one or more automobile sales rooms may be found on almost every block in the average city, it is interesting to find now and then a concern which is still making a success of the bicycle business. One of the business men of Taunton who has successfully met and weathered the onslaught of the automobile army is Howard F. Woodward, whose bicycle and bicycle accessory business is not only a prosperous concern but a steadily growing enterprise.

Born at Norton, Massachusetts, December 8, 1883, Howard F. Woodward is the son of George F. Woodward, who was engaged in truck farming throughout his active career in Norton, Massachusetts, and of Mary (Peck) Woodward, who died in 1919. After receiving a good, practical education in the grammar school of Norton, Mr. Woodward entered the high school of that town, but left before graduation in order to take a course in accounting in the Bristol County Business School. When his business training was completed, he found his first employment with the firm of Reed & Barton, silversmiths, with whom he remained for a period of five years. At the end of that time, his health having failed, it became necessary for him to seek out-of-door employment, and for a number of years he was engaged in various lines of automobile work. In February, 1919, he purchased the business of Everett E. Willey, a bicycle dealer of Taunton, and since that time he has been continuously and successfully developing that business. He sells the Iver-Johnson, the Columbia, and the Ranger bicycles, and also carries a full line of accessories and supplies, including the Fisk tires, for which he has the agency in his district. Each year since 1919 has seen a large increase in the number of patrons and in the amount of sales, and Mr. Woodward has made for himself an enviable reputation as a man of honest business methods, as well as a skillful mechanic. Mr. Woodward is well known in fraternal circles, being a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; of St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; of the Knights of Malta, of which he is a past commander; and of Norton Grange, of which he is also past master.

On October 12, 1912, at Norton, Howard F. Woodward married Edith Irene Barstow, daughter of William N. and Mattie (Grove) Barstow. At the time of their marriage, Miss Barstow was employed in the real estate and insurance office conducted by her father in West Somerville, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Woodward, who reside in Norton, have no children.

**MILTON H. FARLEY**—In the work of caring for the dead, Milton H. Farley of Taunton, Massachusetts, has for many years been thus engaged, and during the greater part of this time has been

at the head of his own interest, his location being at No. 49 Winthrop street. Possessing the genuine spirit of sympathy, as well as the technical knowledge of this work, Mr. Farley has won his way to large success in his chosen field of endeavor. He is a son of James M. Farley, who during his lifetime was foreman of the American Screw Company of Providence, Rhode Island, but died in the prime of his manhood in the year 1883. The mother, Hattie A. (Leonard) Farley, still survives the husband and father.

Milton H. Farley was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, July 31, 1870. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he later attended school at Providence, Rhode Island, and completed his studies at Bristol Academy in Taunton. Mr. Farley's first business experience was in the employ of the Peck & White Company, with which concern he was active for six years. He then entered the employ of the Washburn Company, leading undertakers of that time, and learned the business in this connection. Eventually remaining with the concern until the death of Mr. Washburn, Mr. Farley then bought the interest, and has since carried it forward successfully as the sole owner and manager. This is one of the long established enterprises of its kind at Taunton, and has always commanded the patronage of the leading families of this section. Mr. Farley has adhered to the same lofty standards which originally placed this firm in the front rank, and his position is now an enviable one. He has one of the most modern and finely equipped plants in Bristol county, which comprise extensive and handsome show-rooms, attractive funeral parlors, and a thoroughly modern motor equipment. Not only in his professional capacity, but as a man and a citizen, Mr. Farley is counted among the leading people of Taunton, and although a worker in the ranks of the Republican party, he has never accepted public honors. He is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce and fraternally is prominent, holding membership in Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; St. John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island; Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island; Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Knights of Pythias. His clubs are the Winthrop and the Taunton Auto. His religious affiliation is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Farley married, at Taunton, Massachusetts, June 12, 1896, Bertha T. Washburn, daughter of Herbert T. and Odella (Bliss) Washburn; her father, an undertaker by profession, died in 1907. Mr. and Mrs. Farley are the parents of one child, Leonard, born September 9, 1897.

**JAMES P. CROWLEY**—A native of the city of Taunton, Massachusetts, reared in its traditions and educated in its institutions, James P. Crowley has

spent his lifetime thus far in the interests of this community, and after a number of years of activity in business life, he now holds a position of large responsibility as chief of police of the city of Taunton. Gifted with large administrative ability and at the same time with the capacity to grasp every phase of a given situation, Chief Crowley is considered the right man in the right place and is serving his second term in this office. He is a son of James and Mary (Leahy) Crowley, both natives of County Cork, Ireland, but for many years residents of Taunton, Massachusetts, the father a cooper worker by occupation.

James P. Crowley was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, March 19, 1886. His education was begun in the local public schools and following his high school attendance he entered the world of men and affairs in the employ of a jewelry manufacturing concern in Attleboro, Massachusetts. Remaining for only one year, however, Mr. Crowley returned to his native city and for about eighteen years was active in the employ of H. G. Tripp, a leading butcher of Taunton, whose market is one of the best known in this city. Mr. Crowley has always been deeply interested in the civic progress, and for years has taken an unobtrusive but highly constructive part in every forward movement entirely in an unofficial capacity. In 1920 he was appointed by Mayor Coughlin as chief of police of Taunton for a term of two years. He took up the duties of this office with characteristic energy and unquestioned sincerity and has gone forward in such a manner as thoroughly to demonstrate his ability and efficiency in a trying position. His work during the first term of his appointment, which comprised two years, was such that in the year 1922 Mayor Coughlin re-appointed him for further service and he still stands at the head of the large and broadly efficient police department of this city. He is a member of the National Association of Police Chiefs; is widely known fraternally as a member of the Knights of Columbus, of which he was lecturer for two years; the Foresters of America; Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; and the Young Men's Catholic Total Abstinence League of Taunton, of which he was the last president. He is also a member of the Voodoo Club; and his religious affiliation is with the Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

**JOHN W. ROOT**—In one of the most important industrial concerns of Taunton, Massachusetts, John W. Root holds a prominent position as secretary of the organization, and his activities in this connection are counting definitely for the progress of the company. With long experience in the business world and the natural ability which applies that experience in a practical and constructive way, Mr. Root is a force for advance in the Weir Stove Company. Born and reared in the city of New York, Mr. Root is a son of the late Charles F. Root, who was active during the greater part of his lifetime in that city as a postal clerk, but his death, in



1894, at a comparatively early age removed from that field of endeavor an eminently useful man. The mother, Mary L. (Hettrick) Root, died May 28, 1923, in New York, after a lifetime residence in that city.

John W. Root was born in New York City, August 8, 1876. His education was received in the public schools of the metropolis, and his first business experience was in the wholesale hosiery field. He was later active in the customs house, in the forwarding branch, and later did accounting work for various concerns in New York, until the year 1900, when he went to Boston, Massachusetts, to become associated with Ernst & Ernst. He was later transferred to Providence, Rhode Island, in the interests of the same concern and there acted as office manager, continuing in this responsibility until the year 1920. Then coming to Taunton, Massachusetts, Mr. Root became associated with the Weir Stove Company, and in the spring of 1922 was made secretary of the corporation, which office he still ably fills. This great industry was founded less than a half a century ago by three enterprising young men, whose only factory was at first a barn. They added a shed to form a shelter for their melting furnace and set to work manufacturing stoves. Evidently with a greater idea of what the enterprise must in time become, they adopted as a watchword, "Make Cooking Easy." The enterprise has become what is probably New England's greatest stove factory and from the small beginning in rude quarters and with the most primitive equipment there has been developed an enterprise which even in the city of Taunton, for more than a century the stove-making center of New England, is a strikingly noteworthy business. A million housewives now use the Glenwood ranges, and the splendid plant, with its complete and highly modern equipment, is one of the show places in Taunton. Mr. Root is a member of Gavel Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and the Independent Order of Heptasophs. His clubs are the Turks Head Club of Providence, Rhode Island, the Segregansett Country Club, and the Accountants Club of Southern New England. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Root married, in 1909, Gertrude S. Fison, of Rhode Island, daughter of Herbert W. and Ellen S. (Davey) Fison. Mr. and Mrs. Root are the parents of one daughter, Gertrude Elizabeth, born August 27, 1910.

**JOHN W. ROBERTSON**—In automobile circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and among the many tourists passing through the city of Taunton, the name of John W. Robertson has come to be very familiar, for he was one of the early pioneers in automobile activities, having now been engaged along this line for two full decades. Mr. Robertson's practical ability and his natural genius for salesmanship have carried him to a high position in his chosen field of activity, and as sole agent for the Cadillac cars in Bristol county he is considered

one of the most successful men of the day in automobile distribution. He is a son of John Robertson, a noted fruit farmer of Prince Edward Island, who died in 1913. The mother, Jane (DeWar) Robertson, died in 1915.

John W. Robertson was born on Prince Edward Island, Canada, May 4, 1863. His education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace, and following the completion of his studies he worked on the farm with his father until eighteen years of age. Mr. Robertson then came to the United States, and, locating in Taunton, was employed for a short time with L. M. Witherell, a leading contractor of this section, but not long afterward entered the bicycle business in an independent way. He was active in this commercial field for about fifteen years, going forward independently during the entire time, with headquarters on Cohannet street. He was very successful, but with the decline of the bicycle business and with the early development of automobiles Mr. Robertson took the step which so many far-sighted men did at that time, and in 1903 transferred his activities from bicycles to automobiles. He was not content with handling the new vehicle in a manner less aggressive than the greatest possibility, and although beginning on a small scale, his progress was continuously marked by expansion. From time to time he has established branch agencies, until now, outside of his central interests in Taunton, he has agencies in Fall River, New Bedford, Attleboro and Plymouth, Massachusetts. He handles the Cadillac car exclusively and has become one of the widely known distributing executives in the automobile interests of New England. As president of the Robertson Motor Car Company Mr. Robertson is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce. Fraternally he is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters, Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; and Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and his clubs are the Winthrop, the Taunton Auto and the Quequechan of Fall River. He is a member of the Protestant church, and his political convictions align with the Republican party.

Mr. Robertson married, at Lowell, Massachusetts, in 1898, Annie M. Costello.

**VICTOR B. OLSON**—A native of Sweden, but educated in the United States, Victor B. Olson holds a prominent place in the business life of Bristol county, Massachusetts, as a grower and distributor of hot-house flowers. Active in this field of endeavor since completing his education, Mr. Olson has won his way to a marked degree of success and his interests are constantly growing and expanding. He is a son of August and Lena (Anderson) Olson, both natives of Sweden. His father, who was a farmer by occupation, died in 1909.

Victor B. Olson was born in Sweden, August 8, 1890. Eighteen years old when he came to America with his family, he attended the evening schools of this country until he had acquired a practical foundation for a successful career. His first experience in the business world was in the employ of John Scott, of Brooklyn, New York, a florist and greenhouse man of prominence. In 1914 Mr. Olson came to the State of Massachusetts, and locating in Nahant, associated himself with Thomas Rowland, with whom he was identified for about two years. In the latter part of 1916, Mr. Olson came to Taunton and purchased the greenhouses of E. F. Rose on Bay street, in Whittenton, one of Taunton's most beautiful suburbs. He was largely successful in this venture and has developed and expanded the interest materially. In 1921 Mr. Olson opened an office at No. 44 Broadway, in the center of Taunton, still retaining the greenhouses on Bay street, where he has about 25,000 square feet of glass. Mr. Olson finds a ready market for all that he can produce and more. He is obliged to increase his stock from other sources to meet the demand of his constantly growing trade and purposes further expansion in the near future. Mr. Olson is the sole owner of the interest and is counted among the broadly progressive and thoroughly enterprising young men of the day in Taunton. During the World War he served in the Merchant Marine, and in all branches of community advance he is deeply interested. His fraternal affiliation is with Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Olson is a member of the Union Congregational Church.

Mr. Olson married, in 1920, Helen Schlemmer, of Fall River, Massachusetts, and they are the parents of one child: Victor B., Jr., who was born in 1922.

**CHARLES A. LYNDY**—If you live in Taunton, Massachusetts, or vicinity, and wish to have anything moved, you will be quite safe in making your needs known to the C. A. Lynds Company, for they are prepared to move anything from a house to a trunk or a baby carriage, and they make a specialty of general transportation work. They will skillfully and carefully move boilers and machinery, and whether your order be a large one, such as the moving of your entire place of abode from one location to another, or a small one, such as the transportation of a handbag to the nearest railway depot, it will receive prompt attention.

Charles A. Lynds, owner and manager of the C. A. Lynds Company, was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts, February 2, 1876, son of John A. Lynds, a silversmith and farmer, who died in 1915, and of Maria A. Lynds, whose death occurred in 1922. After receiving a good practical education in the public school of Savin Hill, Dorchester, Massachusetts, Mr. Lynds was employed in various concerns until 1916, when under the name of the C. A. Lynds Company he opened an office at No. 19 Winthrop street, and engaged in the trucking business for himself. Beginning in a small way, he

paid attention to details and made a point of prompt service and careful handling of goods. His patronage increased rapidly and at the end of three years he found it necessary to seek larger and better quarters. He then removed to No. 70 Washington street, where he has remained to the present time (1923). The concern does all kinds of trucking and crating, and makes a specialty of long-distance moving. Furniture and piano moving, house moving, the moving of boilers and machinery, and the general demands of local patrons occupy the larger part of their time, but to these they also add the storage of furniture and expert service in packing and crating. They will move anything from any place, and it would be difficult to bring to them any request that they would be unable to meet. In addition to the successful management of the business, Mr. Lynds has found time for local public service, and for the last four years has served as city constable in Taunton. He is also well known in fraternal circles, being a member of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which order he also is affiliated with Manchester Unity, with Noma Encampment, and with the Rebekahs; is a member of the Knights of Pythias; and with the Knights of Malta. His religious affiliation is with the Trinitarian Congregational Church, of Taunton.

On April 23, 1895, at Raynham, Massachusetts, Charles A. Lynds married Idella M. Wilbur, daughter of Joseph Warren Wilbur, a farmer who died in 1915, and of Mary (Gill) Wilbur, whose death occurred in 1904. Mr. and Mrs. Lynds are the parents of six children: Warren A., who was born in 1897; Albert V., who was born in 1902, and died in 1907; Eva May, who was born in 1903; Lewis M., who was born in 1907; Olive E., who was born in 1911; and Alvin F., who was born in 1913.

**EDWARD BUFFUM VARNEY**—Large merchandizing interests have for many years engaged the attention of Edward Buffum Varney and in the supplying of cotton to the mills of New England, especially in local industries of Fall River, he is filling a vital and progressive part in the business affairs of the day. Mr. Varney has won a position of success both as an individual and as a merchant, and he is counted among the progressive citizens of Fall River. A member of an old family of the State of Maine, Mr. Varney is a son of Isaac and Phoebe E. (Buffum) Varney, his father a native of Kennebunk, Maine, and the mother of North Berwick, Maine. The father, who has for many years been deceased, was active during the Civil War in the manufacture of Springfield rifles and followed manufacturing interests until his death.

Edward Buffum Varney was born in Kennebunk, Maine, May 3, 1868. His education was begun in the public schools of his native place and the family removing to Manchester, New Hampshire, in the year 1881, he was graduated from the Manchester High School in the class of 1886. Coming to Fall River, Massachusetts, within the year, Mr.



Varney secured employment as clerk in the employ of the Troy Cotton and Woollen Manufacturing Company and was thus engaged until the year 1890. He then entered the office of the Davol Mills and Stevens Manufacturing Company as assistant bookkeeper, and was active in this capacity for about five years. Thereafter he became identified with A. D. Easton, a leading Fall River cotton broker of the day, in the capacity of outside salesman. Through these varied affiliations Mr. Varney became broadly familiar with cotton and with the conditions which governed both the distribution of cotton and its manufacture. With this splendid equipment he entered business himself on April 1, 1900, as a cotton merchant. He has gone forward along this line until the present time (1923) and has attained a very high position in his chosen field of activity. His independent career has covered a period of various disturbances which have vitally affected the cotton market, but he has carried his interest through these unsettled periods, and has met the needs of the manufacturers in an able and efficient manner. Mr. Varney is a director of the Weetamoe Mills, and the Massasoit-Pocasset National Bank, and a member of the board of trustees and vice-president of the Fall River Savings Bank. Politically Mr. Varney is a Republican, but is active in political affairs only as a progressive and forward-looking citizen. He is a leading figure in club circles in this section, being affiliated with the Quequechan, the Fall River Country, the Rhode Island Country, and the Acoaxet clubs. His religious affiliation is with the First Congregational church.

Mr. Varney married, at Arlington, Massachusetts, in 1899, Ruth Basset, daughter of William and Lydia A. (Buffum) Basset, her father a native of Lynn, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Varney are the parents of one child, Constance.

**HENRY A. DICKERMAN**, of Taunton, Massachusetts, stands at the head of a mercantile establishment of large importance, which was established more than half a century ago and during its entire history has contributed in a very practical way to the business advance of Massachusetts and other New England States in the distribution of stationery, office supplies, and so forth. Mr. Dickerman is a son of Henry A. Dickerman, the founder of the present business, whose life was spent in useful activity and whose death, which occurred in the year 1903, was a loss to the community at large, as well as to the mercantile field in which he had attained a noteworthy position. The mother, Minnie L. (Dillingham) Dickerman, was born at Edgartown, Massachusetts, and still survives the husband and father.

Henry A. Dickerman was born at Taunton, Massachusetts, January 12, 1868. His education was begun in the public schools of Taunton and he later made special and practical preparation for a commercial career at the Bryant & Stratton Business College, at Boston. At once becoming associated with his

father in the stationery business, Mr. Dickerman familiarized himself with the details of the business by the method of experience in its various branches, and from his earliest connection with the enterprise the firm name was known as Henry A. Dickerman & Son. This business, which comprises both retail and wholesale distribution of stationery, office supplies, and all the appurtenances of business, also an important branch in books, was established in 1870, by the late Henry A. Dickerman, and has been carried forward at its original location at No. 74 Main street, Taunton, up to the present time. Occupying three floors of this building, aggregating about 9,000 square feet of space, Mr. Dickerman employs fifteen people, and the territory covered includes all New England. This is probably the oldest firm of its kind in this part of the State and since the death of the founder, the son and present head, Henry A. Dickerman, has been sole owner of the business. The original start was on a very modest scale, but the growth of the enterprise has been steady from the first and the entire history of the business has been marked by constant expansion and ever growing usefulness. During the two decades in which Mr. Dickerman has been sole owner of this interest, he has developed its scope materially. Adhering faithfully to the same principle of business procedure which gave his father his enviable reputation, the strictest integrity, unflinching courtesy and promptness in every transaction, Mr. Dickerman has earned his present eminence in the trade. He is affiliated with the financial world as a director of the Morris Plan Bank, and is a trustee and director of the Taunton Construction Company.

A Republican by political convictions, he takes only the citizen's interest in public affairs, but gives his influence to every worthy movement. He is a member of the Wholesale Stationers of America; the Taunton Chamber of Commerce, of which he was treasurer for several years; and his fraternal affiliations are with King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; Boston Commandery, Knights Templar; Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island; and Sabbatia Lodge and Naomi Encampment, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His clubs are the Winthrop and Segregansett Country, and he is a life member of the Old Colony Historical Society. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church, of which he is treasurer.

Mr. Dickerman married (first), June 10, 1892, Sadie J. Jones, of Boston, Massachusetts, daughter of William B. and Julia M. (Goddard) Jones, her father a merchant tailor by occupation. Mrs. Dickerman died in the year 1920. They were the parents of two children: Harold A., who was born February 5, 1900, and is a graduate of Taunton High School, where he held the rank of major of the High School Cadets, and later attended Amherst College, where he was a member of the Student Army Corps; and William T., who was born May



20, 1903, and is a graduate of the high school and also of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with the degree of mechanical engineer. Mr. Dickerman married (second), in February, 1923, Edith Whitman, of Middleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Fred N. Whitman, of Maine, a dry goods merchant by trade. The mother, Miriam B. (Littlefield) Whitman, is a native of Roxbury, Massachusetts.

**JOSEPH N. FONTAINE**—Among the successful business men of Massachusetts is Joseph N. Fontaine, formerly a member of the firm of Moquin & Fontaine, of Fall River, and founder of three prosperous retail shoe stores. For thirty-five years he has been a resident of Fall River, and few of the citizens of that community are better known than is he.

Mr. Fontaine was born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, December 25, 1864. He received a good practical education in the public schools of his native district. Feeling that larger opportunity was to be found in the United States, he left Canada when he was eighteen years of age, and came to Providence, Rhode Island, where he remained for a period of six years. In 1888 he settled permanently in Fall River, Massachusetts, where in 1895 he engaged in the insurance business. He was successful in this line of business activity in which he continued until 1909, when he founded a retail shoe business in Fall River. His executive ability as well as his business acumen soon became apparent, and as a member of the firm of Moquin & Fontaine he developed two more prosperous retail shoe stores, of which he was the executive head until March, 1923, when he sold his share of the business and invested the proceeds in other interests. He has always taken an active interest in the advancement of the general welfare of the city, and is identified with several fraternal and other social organizations, including the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and the Calumet Club. He has won in a high degree the confidence and esteem of his business associates, and has a host of personal friends.

In Fall River, Massachusetts, June 2, 1895, Joseph N. Fontaine married Meleda Belliveau, who was born in Grass Valley, Nevada county, California, daughter of Onesime and Marie Louise (Marcheseau) Belliveau. Mr. and Mrs. Fontaine are the parents of four children: Armand E., a sketch of whom follows; Lillian; Adrienne; and Roland. The family home is in Fall River.

**ARMAND EMERY FONTAINE**, a progressive and enterprising business executive of Fall River, Massachusetts, holds a broadly noteworthy position as secretary and treasurer of the Fall River Cement Construction Company, this concern being largely active in its field throughout Bristol county. Mr. Fontaine is a young man of outstanding ability, as is clearly demonstrated by the flourishing condition of the interest of which he is the acting head.

Born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 15,

1896, Armand E. Fontaine is a son of Joseph N. (q.v.) and Meleda (Belliveau) Fontaine. His education was begun in the public schools of Fall River, and after one year at the Fall River High School, he entered the East Greenwich Academy, a preparatory school at East Greenwich, Rhode Island, taking a three years' course, and being graduated with the class of 1916. Thereafter taking up special preparations for a commercial career, Mr. Fontaine entered the Boston University College of Business Administration, from which he was graduated with the class of 1921. His first business experience was in connection with his father's interests in the retail shoe trade. He was active for a year and a half as an employee of the firm of Moquin & Fontaine, assisting in the management of their stores. He then became affiliated with the Fall River Cement Construction Company, with headquarters at No. 14 East Main street, with which he is still identified. Associated with him in this enterprise are Edward J. Farrell as president and C. L. Sullivan as vice-president, but other business interests claim a part of their time and the management of the company's affairs rests almost wholly with Mr. Fontaine. That he is fully capable of this large responsibility is evidenced by the growth of the business, which has prospered largely in the comparatively short time since its inception. They act as contractors and builders, as distributors of building materials, and also operate a plant for the manufacture of cement blocks and bricks at North Dartmouth, Massachusetts, on the road to New Bedford from Fall River. They are doing more and more in the line of road construction, and since the incorporation of the concern, which took place early in the year 1921, their activities have materially expanded.

During the World War Armand E. Fontaine served with honor and distinction as aerial gunner in the United States Naval Aviation service, and was stationed at the Great Lakes Training School, in Illinois, for one year, as a non-commissioned officer. His activities in the United States Naval Reserve covered a period of four years. Mr. Fontaine has thus far been too busy to give more than the attention of the progressive citizen to political affairs. He is a leading figure in the local post of the American Legion, which he served as commander in 1922, and at the present time is active as a member of the executive committee, also being secretary of the Fall River Memorial Commission. Mr. Fontaine is further affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 118, the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, and the Kiwanis, Calumet, Montauk Country, and Fall River Yacht clubs. He attends the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. Fontaine married, on June 2, 1923, Lillian Carleson, daughter of Charles J. and Frances (Trask) Carleson, then residents of Cambridge, but later residents of Frookline, Massachusetts. She is also a graduate of Boston University, class of 1921.

**RUSSELL C. PAIGE** is one of the foremost men of the day in Taunton, Massachusetts, and his posi-



*Joseph M. Fontaine*



*Armand E. Fontaine*





tion as treasurer and general manager of the Colby Company, Incorporated, places him in the front rank of mercantile progress in Eastern Massachusetts. Still a young man, yet with years of experience in the organization in which he now holds a prominent position, Mr. Paige has given the best years of his life to the development and expansion of this great enterprise. The Paige family has been very prominent in Bristol county for many years, and Nomus Paige, father of the subject of this review, was for many years a leading physician of Taunton, and received his degree of Doctor of Medicine from Dartmouth College. His death, which occurred in the year 1919, removed from this city a man of large significance to the people and a leader in his profession. The mother, Nora (Colby) Paige, was also a member of a leading Bristol county family, and died in the year 1903.

Russell C. Paige was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, August 11, 1882. Receiving his early education in the local public schools, he was graduated from the Taunton High School in the class of 1899. Then entering Harvard University, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1903, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For about two months after completing his education Mr. Paige was active in the cotton industry, then he entered the organization with which he has been affiliated since, the department store, which has for many years borne the name of Colby. His first experience was in the ready-to-wear clothing department, where he remained for a period of five years. During this time he made a constant study of all the other departments, gaining a comprehensive grasp of the business, and in 1908 he was elected treasurer of the company, also general manager. This enterprise is one of the oldest in mercantile circles in Taunton, having been established in the year 1846, and has been continuously active for seventy-seven years. Since taking over the management of the company's affairs Mr. Paige has developed and increased the business, and has introduced new methods and progressive policies. He has won a high place in the confidence of the people and in the esteem of his contemporaries in every field of effort. He bears the part of the progressive citizen in all worthy movements, and politically supports the Republican party, although taking no leading part in public affairs.

Fraternally he is identified with Ionic Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. He is a leading member of the Winthrop Club, of Taunton; the Harvard Club, of Boston; the Segregansett Country Club, and the Taunton Automobile Club. His religious connection is with the Episcopal church.

Russell C. Paige married, in the year 1907, Ethel Baker, of Taunton, daughter of Charles and Abbie (Applegate) Baker, her father one of the foremost men of the day a generation ago in Taunton, and one of the founders and owners of the Weir Stove Company. He died in 1901. Mr. and Mrs. Paige have one son, Samuel C., born in 1909.

**NATHAN H. FRIEDMAN**—The establishment and development of the Harodite Finishing Company of North Dighton, Massachusetts, is one of the interesting chapters in the history of Bristol county, covering a period of less than fourteen years, and during that space of time it has become one of the really noteworthy industrial organizations of Bristol county, Massachusetts. Officerd by a group of progressive and enterprising young men, the interest has gone forward steadily from its inception. Nathan H. Friedman, as secretary, and treasurer, and also general manager of this business, is filling large responsibilities and has been the principal factor in the development and the present importance of the enterprise.

Nathan H. Friedman was born in New York City, June 4, 1890. His education was begun in the public schools of the metropolis, and following the completion of the high school course he took up special studies at the Institution of Technology. He then completed special courses at Columbia University, after which he determined upon a career in the textile industry, and coming to Bristol county, Massachusetts, covered a course at the New Bedford Textile School. Starting out in life as a producer, Mr. Friedman became affiliated with his present associates of the organization of the Harodite Finishing Company in the year 1910. Locating in North Dighton, Massachusetts, they established this plant for the purpose of bleaching and dyeing cotton goods, and although started on a small scale, it has developed steadily until at present they employ about one hundred people and occupy three buildings, aggregating a floor area of some 50,000 square feet. They send their products to all parts of the United States and do a very considerable export business. The personnel of the corporation is: Dewey D. Stone, president; Sadie S. Friedman, vice-president; and Nathan H. Friedman, secretary, treasurer, and general manager; the organization being capitalized under the laws of the State of New York. In their very important branch of the textile industry this concern has achieved a position of far more than local prominence and it is well worthy of note that Mr. Friedman entered the organization with a fine industrial equipment when only nineteen years of age, and during the comparatively short period of its existence has put forth his force of character and business ability and has carried it to its present eminence in the trade. Mr. Friedman has few interests outside of Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 27, Free and Accepted Masons, of New York City. He is also a member of the B'nai B'rith. He attends the Congregation Agudth Achim, of Taunton, Massachusetts.

Mr. Friedman married, in 1912, Sadie Stone, of Brockton, Massachusetts, and they have two children: Robert S., born January 9, 1915; and Ruth T. C., born January 10, 1920.

**REV. JAMES H. LOOBY**, as pastor of the Sacred Heart Church, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is a prominent figure in his ecclesiastical circle in

New England. Locally he is deeply beloved among his people and even outside of his own parish he enjoys the confidence and esteem of the people, regardless of religious differences. He has done much not only for the advancement of his own parish but for the general progress of the community, and as an exponent of religious significance in the community, he is exemplifying the significance of religious teachings to the general progress. He is a son of Patrick and Margaret (Dunigan) Looby, his father, a resident of Rhode Island, died in 1889; his mother having died in 1877.

Father Looby was born in Burrillville, Rhode Island, February 11, 1862. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and at fourteen years of age he entered Holy Cross College, at Worcester, Massachusetts. He covered his classical studies in that institution, from which he was graduated in the year 1881. Thereafter taking up his studies in philosophy and theology at Montreal Seminary, Canada, he was ordained to the priesthood in Boston Cathedral in the year 1884, and his first appointment was as assistant priest at Saint Theresa's Church in Providence, Rhode Island, after which he was transferred to Saint Mary's Church, at Newport, Rhode Island, thence to Saint Lawrence's Church, at New Bedford. He was appointed pastor of Saint Peter's Church, at Sandwich, and St. Patrick's Church, at Wareham, where he served from 1896 to 1899. He was then appointed pastor of the Church of The Immaculate Conception, at North Easton, where he erected and paid for the new stone church. In September, 1912, he was appointed to his present pastorate at Sacred Heart Church, in Taunton.

**MILLARD F. MOORE**—In the production of monuments and cemetery memorials of every kind, the late Millard F. Moore, of Taunton, Massachusetts, was a noteworthy figure in this general field in Bristol county. Mr. Moore had been active in his field for many years and his natural ability and artistic taste gave to his work more than passing significance and placed the patronage of many of the best families of this section in his hands. He was the son of Hiram Moore, who was for a number of years active as a farmer at North Anson, Maine, and who died in 1890. The mother, Eliza (Coleman) Moore, died at a very advanced age, in 1899.

Millard F. Moore was born at North Anson, Maine, May 15, 1849, and died in Taunton, on June 17, 1923. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace and he later had the advantage, unusual in those days, of a course at the Anson Academy, from which he was graduated in the class of 1868. Following his graduation Mr. Moore came to Taunton, where he entered the employ of Reed & Barton as a silversmith. He was identified with that concern for a period of twenty-five years, and during that time, for thirteen years, was one of the noted professors of dancing in this part of the State, directing some of the largest classes

which were ever formed in the city of Taunton. In 1915 Mr. Moore established his business, securing a location at No. 3 Jefferson street. He has given to this interest not only the energy and practical ability of the forward-looking business man, but the attention of the man broadly appreciative of the ethical and artistic side of the work. To every commission, from the simplest marker to the great and dignified memorial which represents wealth as well as the beauty of human memory, Mr. Moore gave the same careful and considerate attention, never considering a piece of work completed until it was placed to the satisfaction of the customer and in a manner which brought out the full beauty and dignity of the object. Mr. Moore took a deep interest in various branches of community and fraternal effort.

A Republican by political affiliation, he served as a member of the Taunton City Council for two years. He was for six years identified with Company F, 1st Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, a Taunton regiment. He was promoted in the service, having been made corporal three weeks after his enlistment, receiving his honorable discharge with the rank of sergeant. He was a member of Sabbatia Lodge, No. 225, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, with which he had been connected for very nearly half a century, having joined this lodge in 1874, when it was known as King Philip Lodge. He was one of the honored figures in this organization and his long connection with it is a record of which any man might well be proud. He was a member of the Taunton Volunteer Fire Department for thirty-five years, and also a member of the Taunton Historical Society. His religious affiliation was with Grace Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mr. Moore was twice married; he married (first) Emma Wilbur, of Taunton, in 1871, and she died in 1899. They were the parents of five children: Mabel, born in 1873; Herbert, born in 1875; Carroll and May, twins, born in 1879; and Lulu, born in 1883. Mr. Moore married (second), in 1908, Elizabeth Bartel, of Taunton, who survives her husband.

**GEORGE HERBERT PHILLIPS**—Few names have meant more to the general advance in Bristol county, Massachusetts than that of George Herbert Phillips, who was for many years active in the business life of Taunton and Dighton and during his years of ripe experience was interested in the distribution of automobiles. Mr. Phillips was a man of large business ability, but he was even more widely known, probably, for his fraternal affiliations which expressed most happily his genial spirit and true benevolence. Mr. Phillips was a son of William W. and Mary (Eccles) Phillips, his father a proprietor for many years of a country store dealing in all branches of merchandise.

George Herbert Phillips was born at Raynham, Massachusetts, February 24, 1860. His education was begun in the local public schools of Dighton and was completed with the grammar course. As



a young man he was variously employed in such activities as were near at hand, and for a number of years was associated with his father in merchandising advance in Dighton. With the introduction of the automobile and its early development, Mr. Phillips had the most implicit confidence in the permanence and business importance of the motor vehicle and became one of the early dealers handling its distribution. With the expansion of the motor industry to include trucks as well as pleasure cars, he added these to his line and for many years represented some of the leading American makes. His death, which occurred May 2, 1923, removed from Bristol county one of the men whose every activity counted for community advance and individual prosperity and happiness. Mr. Phillips gave to the world the wealth of a rich and benevolent nature and he will long be remembered in every circle in which he moved, as one of the most noteworthy figures of a generation of great men.

Fraternally Mr. Phillips was affiliated with Pioneer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Somerset, Massachusetts, of which he was past master; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Taunton; and Azab Grotto, of Fall River; also Star of Bethlehem Chapter, No. 151, Order of the Eastern Star, of Somerset. He was further affiliated with Dighton Rock Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, of which he was past master. Mr. Phillips was a man of sincere and broadly charitable religious convictions and his life was invariably ordered by the highest principles. While not a member of the church organization, he attended the Unitarian church and was a generous supporter of its benevolences and other activities.

George Herbert Phillips married, at Berkeley, Massachusetts, November 26, 1884, Lucie Myrtella Babbit, daughter of Enoch Bradford and Clarissa Jane (Hathaway) Babbit. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips' children number two: Dora Estella, born March 13, 1886, and died December 29, 1893; and Russell Herbert, born October 6, 1898, and now active in business circles in Taunton and Dighton.

In such a life as that of George Herbert Phillips is exemplified those qualities of benevolence which, combined with his ability of leadership, counted for more than local or momentary good. The achievements of such a man are of far greater significance than those of any selfish spirit and in the record of his life the communities with which he was identified are honored and blessed. Mr. Phillips' death has saddened every circle in which he moved and while yet his memory brings a keen pang of sorrow, the passing years will assuage the grief of those who have known him, and the good that he has done will live on, a beneficent and lasting influence.

**LEONARD SANFORD CHACE**—Upon terminating his connection with the firm of Covell & Osborn in 1905, Mr. Chace established his present business and during the eighteen years which have since intervened he has built up the largest mill

supply business in Southeastern Massachusetts, under the firm name, The L. S. Chace Mill Supply Company, of which he is the proprietor. Fall River has been his home since boyhood, and his business experience has been entirely gained in that city. He is a son of Benjamin C. and Sarah L. (Sanford) Chace, a grandson of Leonard Chace, one of the founders of the B. G. & L. Chace Pottery, in Somerset, Massachusetts, and a descendant of William Chace, as he spelled the name, who came from England with his wife, Mary, and son, William, with Governor Winthrop and his colony in 1630, settling first in Roxbury. Later he resided in Yarmouth, Massachusetts, where he died. From William Chace sprang the numerous and influential families of Chace and Chace, of New England. The line of Leonard S. Chace settled in Somerset, Massachusetts, but Benjamin C. Chace later in life came to Fall River, having operated a pottery in Norwich, Connecticut, a business he learned from his father, Leonard Chace. Benjamin C. Chace died at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1916, his widow, Sarah L. (Sanford) Chace, yet surviving him and residing at the Chace home in Fall River.

Leonard Sanford Chace was born in Somerset, Massachusetts, December 25, 1878, and there spent the earlier years of his life. After the family moved to Fall River, he entered B. M. C. Durfee High School, having finished grammar school courses in Somerset. After his school years were completed he became an employee of Covell & Osborn, hardware and mill supplies, remaining with that house until 1905, when he resigned his position to engage in business for himself. In that year he founded the mill supply business that bears his name at Nos. 144-150 Pocasset street, Fall River. He has been very successful in his private business enterprise and has, while building that up to its present prosperous condition, acquired other interests and responsibilities. He was one of the organizers in 1917 and is now president of the Shawmut Mills, manufacturers of combed cotton yarns; is director and treasurer of the Parker Mills, cotton cloth manufacturers; director of the Metacomet National Bank; is proprietor of the Chace Electric Company, the largest electric contracting business in Southeastern Massachusetts, which he added to his own business about 1908, and since 1910 he has operated a belt manufacturing business under the firm name of The Textile Belting & Stropping Company. All of these are growing concerns and stand high in their respective spheres.

Mr. Chace is a member of the Masonic order, being affiliated with King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar; and Massachusetts Consistory, in which he holds the thirty-second degree, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a noble of Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Fall River Chamber of Commerce; and the



Quequechan Club, of which he was treasurer for a number of years.

Leonard S. Chace married, January 11, 1904, Laura E. Arnen, of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Chace are the parents of four children: Richard A., now in his senior year at Andover; Leonard S. (2), a student at the Stearns School; William N., a freshman at Andover; and Margaret, a student in a private school (1923). The family home is in Tiverton, Rhode Island.

**IRVING F. WHITMARSH**—One of the oldest and largest plumbing and heating concerns of Bristol county is that of Irving F. Whitmarsh, Incorporated. Mr. Whitmarsh is himself an expert in his line and employs a skilled corps of helpers who install heating apparatus and provide water piping for homes and public buildings throughout Bristol county.

Mr. Whitmarsh was born in Dighton, Massachusetts, November 2, 1850, and is a son of Francis A., a farmer of Dighton, Massachusetts, who died in 1897, and Emmaline H. (Hodges) Whitmarsh, who died in 1895. After receiving a good practical education in the public schools of Dighton, he learned the plumber's and sheet metal trade, and until 1890 was employed by various plumbing and sheet metal concerns. In 1890 he purchased the plumbing and sheet metal business of Jerome Babbitt, and for a period of twenty-four years successfully conducted the business under his own name. In 1914 the concern was incorporated under the name I. F. Whitmarsh Company, Incorporated, Edward F. Whitmarsh, president; Irving F. Whitmarsh, treasurer; and Helen I. Whitmarsh, secretary. From the time of Mr. Whitmarsh's purchase of the business in 1890 to the present time (1923) the business has been steadily growing and the corps of workmen has been steadily increased until at the present time about twenty men are employed to meet the needs of the patrons of the concern. The enterprise is one of the largest of its kind in this section of the State. It does a general line of plumbing and heating, and the uniform excellence of workmanship has been the important factor in its development into one of the leading plumbing concerns of the county.

Mr. Whitmarsh is well known in fraternal circles, being a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Taunton; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and of Aleppo Temple, of Boston, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of which he is past chancellor; and a member of Sabbatia Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His religious affiliation is with the Winthrop Street Baptist Church, of Taunton, of which he is a member.

Irving F. Whitmarsh married (first) on January 9, 1872, Anna Crane Babbitt, of Taunton. He married (second) in 1914, Luella Christiana Baker, of New Bedford, Massachusetts. To the first mar-

riage were born four children: 1. Edward F., born December 23, 1881, at Taunton, Massachusetts, who received his education in the public schools of his native city and graduated from high school with the class of 1900. He then took a special course in the New York Trade School, 1901-1904, receiving in the latter year a plumber's certificate. He was captain of the High School Cadets, of Taunton, Massachusetts, and is now a member of King David's Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; St. Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; also of Orient Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of which he is past chancellor. He married, in 1905, Phoebe Baker, of New Bedford, and they are the parents of one child, Harold B., who is a student in the Taunton High School. 2. Helen I., who is now engaged at the office of her father. The other two children died young.

**MICHAEL J. COUGHLIN**, a leading figure in Bristol county, Massachusetts, as undertaker and embalmer, has for more than thirty years borne a part in the community welfare by performing the sacred duty of caring for the dead. His progressive attitude has led him to keep in close touch with the advance in his field of endeavor, and he is one of the leading funeral directors of this section.

He is a son of James and Mary (Sullivan) Coughlin, both born in Ireland, who came to the United States in their youth. Both made the voyage in old time sailing vessels, landing in Boston, Massachusetts, thence coming to Fall River, where they were married in St. Mary's Church in the spring of 1857. James Coughlin received an excellent education in his native Ireland, and learning the trade of stone cutter upon his arrival in this country, followed it during the remainder of his life. James and Mary Coughlin were the parents of a family of ten children, of whom seven still survive. James Coughlin died in May, 1882, at the age of sixty years, while his wife survived him for about thirty years, passing away May 8, 1912, at the age of eighty years.

Michael J. Coughlin, second youngest child of his parents, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, December 28, 1870, and there attended the public schools. The death of his father occurred when he was in his twelfth year. He became a wage earner at that early age, securing employment in a dry goods store during evenings, holiday seasons and Saturdays. He was able to complete the grammar school course at the Lincoln school in his fourteenth year, and immediately thereafter secured a position as clerk in a fancy grocery house in the residential section of Fall River, where he remained about seven years. In 1892 he became associated with his brother, Daniel Coughlin, an undertaker and embalmer, as an employee, continuing for about two years, acquiring a partnership interest in 1894, the firm then becoming Daniel and Michael J. Coughlin, under which name the business is still conducted. Daniel Coughlin died December 23, 1916, Michael J. Coughlin then becoming sole owner of the business with which he had been actively engaged, and



*Michael J. Houghlin*





which his definite progressive program of management had substantially helped to upbuild. He has other and important interests, but has retained his connection with this establishment, not only from a sense of duty but also in memory of a loved brother. The business today is conducted on a modern scale and is equipped with every aid to funeral direction. Mr. Coughlin is rated as a successful business man, without reference to his recognized pre-eminence in his own particular line.

Possessing keen insight into and evidencing a natural bent in matters concerning the industrial and commercial life of his native city, in whose welfare and advancement he is intensely interested, his individual efforts in this respect have brought him in close personal contact with many of the city's most influential personages, industrial, professional and civic; and his counsel in important undertakings has oftentimes been sought, with corresponding benefit to himself and the substantial interests involved.

His acquaintance among the more prominent industrial chieftains of the city is extensive and prized. He also became interested in real estate investments, and owns some of Fall River's choicest business property. Since the year 1907 Mr. Coughlin has been quite active in the public service. On February 4, 1907, he was appointed a member of the Fall River Board of Health, on which he served until February 3, 1913. During his term of service on this important body, Mr. Coughlin had the full confidence and esteem of his medical colleagues on the board as well as that of the health officer and the various chiefs of divisions of the Health Department at all times, with the result that much was accomplished for the benefit of the public welfare.

At first, Mr. Coughlin was averse to accepting the appointment, but was finally persuaded that he could perform a needed public service. For years he had been brought face to face with the problem of helping the poorer classes to better sanitary rules of living, and had been appalled by the heavy mortality among children owing to various causes. He had urged the mayor-elect to appoint a strong and fearless Board of Health, and had shown the need for such a board. So, when he was urged to help in this work, he at last consented, for he knew the necessity of a thorough organization and the classification of the various features required in an efficiently operating Board of Health.

It was at his suggestion that the board authorized its members to visit many of the large cities to study modern methods of health control, and as a result of this study the Fall River Board of Health was re-organized, and began functioning according to modern methods. Among the practical results accomplished was the safeguarding of a pure milk supply by close inspection and certification; the pioneer tuberculosis work in the State; the placing of tuberculosis patients in separate wards in hospitals; the establishment of a contagious hospital; the medical inspection of schools; school

nursing and the beginning of nutritional work by the establishment of milk stations in various sections of the city, the need of these milk stations shown by the efforts of the Board of Health in their creation, being immediately approved and supported by private organizations; the establishment of a dental clinic, venereal disease clinic, veterinary division, under whose direction an up-to-date bacteriological laboratory, where all of the city's pathogenic and special work, such as milk and water examination, could be done. The recording of vital statistics was also insisted upon. As reconstructed, the board was second to none in the State in efficiency, and the statement was made that it was "twenty years ahead of the times" for the members were subjected to much criticism. In spite of this they won the esteem and admiration of individuals and contemporary bodies who watched their work and progress, and they laid the foundations upon which later boards have built, until Fall River has a proud record of public health.

In 1907 Mr. Coughlin was elected exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and while serving in that capacity appointed a building committee of which he was made chairman. Through the efforts of this committee the present Elks Home was built on Bank and Purchase streets. Mr. Coughlin is a trustee of St. Vincent's Orphan's Home, and is a member of Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Fall River Council, No. 86, Knights of Columbus; of William Stang Assembly, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus; and of the Quechequan Club. His religious connection is with the Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart, of which parish he has been a member since its inception.

Mr. Coughlin was married at the Church of the Sacred Heart, September 5, 1900, to Catherine F. Shay, of Fall River, daughter of John and Mary (Sullivan) Shay. Mr. and Mrs. Coughlin are the parents of five children: Mary C., attending the College of Notre Dame, at Baltimore, Maryland; Daniel M., a junior at Brown University; Catherine F., a student at Durfee High School; John J., attending Westall Grammar School; and Edward M., a pupil in the latter school. The Coughlin residence is at No. 130 Winter street, and they have a delightful country home at Touisset, Swansea, Massachusetts.

**PAUL EMILIE TREMBLAY**, in 1902, at the age of fourteen years, began making his own way in the world and from that year he has gone steadily forward to higher and better stations in the business life of Fall River, being now a well established and well known real estate and insurance broker. He is of Canadian birth, a son of Clovis and Josephine Tremblay, his father a carpenter, now deceased, his mother yet living (December, 1923).

Paul E. Tremblay was born at Eboulemens, Province of Quebec, Canada, September 30, 1888. He obtained a good common school education and early in life came to Fall River, Massachusetts, which has

since been his home. In 1902 he entered the employ of the Algonquin Printing Company, of Fall River, and advanced so rapidly that in 1906 he was promoted to the rank of overseer with the same company. He remained a textile worker in the position of overseer for five years, resigning to enter the employ of the Prudential Life Insurance Company as an agent, remaining two years, when he engaged as salesman for the Loose-Wiles Biscuit Company. In 1915 he returned to the life insurance business, but with the John Hancock Insurance Company, continuing with that company until January 1st. In 1917 he established in business under his own name as a real estate and insurance broker, his offices at Room No. 27, Academy building, Fall River, Massachusetts, where he continues, his business prosperous and constantly growing. He is a director and clerk of the Federal Loan and Investment Company, and a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce.

In politics Mr. Tremblay is a Republican and is slated for the office of fire commissioner, the nomination to be made January 1, *proximo*. He is a member of St. Mathew's Catholic Church, the Franco-American Society; vice-president of Club Laurier, a Republican club, established since 1894, having now a membership of 515 members; a member of Ward One Social Club; Calumet Social Club, and St. Ann's Gymnasium.

Mr. Tremblay married, in St. Mathew's Church, Fall River, May 19, 1914, Corinna Brabant, daughter of Joseph F. and Mina Brabant, of French descent, her father an overseer of spinning. Mr. and Mrs. Tremblay are the parents of three children, all born at Fall River, Massachusetts: Lorette, born April 13, 1916; Armand, born December 3, 1917; and Raymond, born December 10, 1921. The family home is at No. 163 Crescent street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

**NATHAN H. SACHS**, as the head of a prosperous and steadily growing industrial enterprise, is achieving large success in the city of Taunton, carrying forward his business under the name of the Priscilla Manufacturing Company. This concern manufactures ladies' garments of various kinds and, keeping in close touch with the demands of the market, the business is growing rapidly. Mr. Sachs is a son of David and Fannie (Sternfeld) Sachs, the father, who was a lumber merchant in Boston during his lifetime, died in the year 1884; the mother is still living.

Nathan H. Sachs was born in Russia in 1881. The family coming shortly afterward to the United States and settling in Boston, it was in the public schools of that city that his education was begun and he completed his studies at the evening high schools in Boston. Mr. Sachs entered the business world in the same line of endeavor in which he is now engaged, and when still a very young man he established his own business in the manufacture of ladies' garments. This enterprise has developed to one of the really important concerns in its field in

the city of Taunton, and the Priscilla Manufacturing Company now distributes its product in all parts of the United States. With spacious plant at No. 90 Weir street, they employ forty-five people. Mr. Sachs takes a deep interest in all civic and public advance but in political affairs holds an independent position, giving his support to any candidate or party he believes fitted to serve the public welfare. Fraternally he is affiliated with King Solomon Lodge, No. 286, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Boston; and the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith. He attends the Jewish Synagogue.

Mr. Sachs married, in March, 1907, Sarah B. Yosell, daughter of Simon and Minnie (Jacobson) Yosell. The father, who was a dairyman in Boston, died in 1903, but the mother is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Sachs are the parents of three children: David, born in 1909; Marcella, born in 1911; and Sanford J., born in 1920.

**THOMAS FRANCIS DENAULT**—With experience in various lines of industrial and commercial endeavor, Thomas Francis Denault, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is bearing a very practical part in the public advance as proprietor of a coat and towel supply company in this city and in the providing of a fresh clean stock of these daily necessities in the industries is achieving marked success. Mr. Denault is a son of Alfred and Mary E. (Gero) Denault, both now living, the father a prosperous quarryman of New Bedford, who owns large stone quarries in the suburbs of that city.

Thomas Francis Denault was born at New Bedford, Massachusetts, April 15, 1892. His education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace and when still a young lad he was ambitious to get out in the world of men and affairs. He secured a position with the Boston, Providence and Fall River Express Company, where he remained for six months, then was employed for a year with the Weden Manufacturing Company, of New Bedford, after which for about eight months he worked for the American Wood Screw Company, of Providence, Rhode Island. His next activity was as bellboy in the Blackstone Hotel, of Providence, but after a year in this connection Dr. Denault became associated with his father in the stone quarries and was active thus for about four years. Then for two years he was employed by the Macomber Ice Cream Company, of New Bedford, after which he was with the Dennison Coal Company, of New Bedford, for one year, then with the firm of S. D. Howland Company until 1919. At that time Mr. Denault came to Taunton and established his present activity along the line of coat and towel supply. In this modern and now considered vital branch of effort, allied with the business progress of this city, Mr. Denault is giving the most efficient service and in every way meeting the needs of his customers. The business has more than tripled since its founding and is constantly increasing its scope and thereby its usefulness.

Politically Mr. Denault holds an independent posi-

tion and outside of his business he has few interests except of a fraternal nature. He is very prominent in this connection, being a member of Taunton Lodge, No. 150, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; Taunton Lodge, No. 82, Knights of Columbus; Sippecan Tribe, Improved Order of Red Men, of New Bedford; Taunton Lodge, No. 72, Massachusetts Order of Foresters. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Denault married, at New Bedford, Massachusetts, in 1912, Annie F. Foley, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Cain) Foley; her father, a weaver by occupation, died in 1920, but the mother is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Denault are the parents of three children: Thomas, born in 1915; Edna, born in 1917; and Charles E., born in 1921.

**ARTHUR E. NEWHALL**—An interesting and thriving establishment in Taunton, Massachusetts, is the woodworking shop conducted by Arthur Newhall, at No. 44 Wales street, and in the development and continuous progress of this business Mr. Newhall has given to the city of Taunton a broadly useful interest which contributes to the general good in a very definite way. Mr. Newhall was trained for this general field of activity, and his natural ability places him among the leaders in this branch of constructive work. He is a son of William H. Newhall, who was foreman of the Mason Machine Works for a period of fifty-one years and one of the well known men of Taunton a generation ago. His death, which occurred in 1908, is still recalled by many citizens of Taunton as one of the sad events of that time. The mother, Leafie S. (Mason) Newhall, died in 1905.

Arthur E. Newhall was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, October 23, 1869. His education was begun in the local schools and he later attended Bristol Academy. His first business experience was in association with his brother-in-law, who was a druggist, located at No. 1 Broadway, in Taunton. After being thus active for three and one-half years, Mr. Newhall became identified with the Mason Machine Works, where he was active in the woodworking department for twenty-six years. He then went on the road as a salesman for that concern and followed this line of effort for seven years. Thereafter remaining at the plant he was made foreman of the woodworking department and continued in that position for a period of twelve years. In 1914 Mr. Newhall established his present business, taking up the manufacture of patterns and doing various kinds of woodwork, also cabinet-making, which has since been his specialty. With his long experience and natural ability, he has made this enterprise one of the really significant interests in its field in Taunton and is counted among the definitely successful men of the day. A Republican by political affiliation, he has never cared to take a leading part in public life, but gives loyal support to all advance movements. He has few interests outside his business, and is a member of the Universalist church.

Mr. Newhall married, at Assonet, Massachusetts, 1901, Anna L. A. Deane, daughter of John M. and Mary G. (Pearce) Deane, her father a grocer by occupation. Both parents died in 1915. Mr. and Mrs. Newhall are the parents of three children; Natalie, born in 1901; Doris, born in 1904; and Louis, born in 1916.

**LOUIS I. YOUNG**—In the construction field in Taunton, Massachusetts, Mr. Young holds a leading position as one of the foremost building contractors in this section. With many years of experience as a journeyman carpenter, he has for the past six years been independently active in his present field and in that comparatively short period has developed a very remarkable business interest. Mr. Young is a son of Leonard I. and Abbie M. (Pitts) Young, both now living, the father a master mariner throughout his active lifetime, but now retired and enjoying the fruits of a long and active career.

Louis I. Young was born at Dighton, Massachusetts, January 16, 1877. His education was begun in the public schools of the city and he later had the advantage of two years of study at Bristol Academy. His first experience was in the employ of L. M. Whitherell, where he mastered the carpenter's trade, continuing in the same connection thereafter, altogether being with Mr. Whitherell for a period of twenty-one years. It was in 1917 that Mr. Young established himself in business in Taunton as a contractor and builder, and from the first he has been largely successful. Well known as he was in constructive circles and also widely known as a man and a citizen, Mr. Young has built up his present success upon an enviable reputation for skill in his chosen line of endeavor and for the unquestioned integrity, which is the principal asset in his commercial activities. He now has a large store house with complete planing mill equipment and manufactures his own doors and window frames. It would be difficult to find a better equipped plant than the one which Mr. Young has developed, and in his progress in his present field he is making an interesting and admirable record. He has few interests outside of his business, but is a member of the Taunton Chamber of Commerce. Politically Mr. Young supports the Republican party, and is identified with the Winthrop Street Baptist Church.

Mr. Young married, at Dighton, Massachusetts, in 1903, Phebe Hood, daughter of George H. Hood, a prominent merchant of Somerset, long active in the grocery business and for some years postmaster of that town, who died in 1910. The mother, Ella Martin, died in 1888. Mr. and Mrs. Young are the parents of four children: Merton and Elsie, twins, born in 1904; Curtis, born in 1907; and Dora, born in 1913.

**DAVID S. PECK**—Broadly representative of the most noteworthy activities in New England agriculture, David S. Peck stands at the head of an important farming enterprise in Seekonk, Massachusetts, owning a farm of some 300 acres which he



conducts in the most approved manner. Mr. Peck is a member of a family long active in farming and is a son of Cornelius and Isabella (Anthony) Peck, his father having been a leading farmer of Seekonk throughout his lifetime. He died in 1909, and the mother died in 1914.

David S. Peck was born at Seekonk, Massachusetts, August 19, 1860. His education was acquired in the local public schools and after completing his studies the young man became associated with his father in the work of the home farm. Remaining in this connection until he was about twenty-one years of age, Mr. Peck was then made overseer of the poor of Seekonk and served in that position for a period of four years. In 1887 he bought the present farm which is now a model of progressive agriculture. He has developed it extensively and now has about 300 acres of excellent farming land, but no woodland. His principal interest is dairying and he produces about 900 quarts of milk a day, which is sold at the door. Broadly familiar with crop rotation and the many vital problems of the soil, Mr. Peck grows practically all crops which thrive in the New England climate and handles everything on a large scale. He principally grows his feed as well as roughage for his stock, and his herd of about one hundred cows is one of the finest in this section. Twenty cows he milks personally twice every day.

A typical successful farmer of New England, Mr. Peck belongs to the Seekonk Grange, Patrons of Husbandry. Politically he holds independent convictions, but nevertheless has been elected to public office at various times and served as constable for ten years and as road commissioner for twenty-five years. He is affiliated with the Congregational church.

Mr. Peck married, in Seekonk, Massachusetts, March 30, 1881, Marietta West, daughter of Henry B. and Mary F. West, the father a farmer by occupation. Mr. and Mrs. Peck are the parents of four children: D. Robert, born in 1885; Florence, born in 1887; Isabella, born in 1892; and Gertrude, born in 1902.

**WILLIAM H. CUSHMAN**—Among the well known manufacturers of Bristol county is William H. Cushman, of Taunton, who is treasurer and manager of the Fargo Aluminum Company, of this city. Mr. Cushman is a descendant in a direct line from the famous Elder Thomas Cushman of the old Plymouth Colony. The Cushmans from that period to the present time have played an important part in each succeeding generation. James M. Cushman, father of William H. Cushman, is a native of Shutesbury, Massachusetts, and for many years has made Taunton his home. He is a lawyer by profession, a veteran of the Civil War, having served as a member of Company G., Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He has been active in a number of endeavors and is vice-president of the Old Colony Historical Society. He married Louise M. Goff, a native of Taunton, who is now deceased.

William H. Cushman was born in Taunton, October 12, 1871, and was educated in the public and high schools here. His first business experience was with the Taunton National Bank, in the capacity of a clerk. After ten years with this institution he terminated his position in 1902, and soon afterward became identified with the E. A. Fargo Company, now the Fargo Aluminum Company. The business has steadily grown under his direction and their products are shipped to all parts of the United States. Mr. Cushman is a member of the Bristol Club, and has other affiliations.

**JOHN WILLIAM MOSS**—His whole life practically spent among the looms in the spinning industry, inheriting too the aptitude for the work, as his father before him had been in the same field, John William Moss even while doing the actual work, spent years in the study and perfection of his knowledge of the processes, as an artist perfects himself in his art.

He was born in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, August 13, 1878, son of Richard and Isabella (Lang) Moss. His father, a worker and overseer in a cotton mill, was also a band man in the 96th Regulars of the British Army. He came to America and worked for a time as overseer in the Bourne Mills, in Fall River, Massachusetts. Both he and his wife are now dead, and his son, John William, who was the oldest of four children, two of whom were boys, was the only one of the children to come to the United States to settle. His brother is today overseer in a cotton mill in Lancashire, England. John William Moss was educated at the public schools, and at the age of ten years entered the cotton mill of the Wensley Cotton Manufacturing Company, and rose until he became overseer in the spooling department. In March, 1903, before he had reached his twenty-fifth birthday, he came to the United States, and settling in Fall River, entered the spinning room and held the various positions as clerk, superintendent and specialist as cotton sampler. In 1914 he became superintendent, and holds that position today in one of the oldest mills of the country, which specializes in the manufacture of satens and twills, the Bourne Spinning Mills. During the early period of his employment in this country Mr. Moss for four years attended the Durfee Textile school in the evenings and on Saturdays, and the knowledge that he gained was of so much value and importance to him that he has ever since taken a keen interest in this school. He takes active part in the civic life of his community, is a strong Republican in his politics, and is serving as chairman on various committees. In his fraternal affiliation he belongs to the various bodies in Masonry of both the York and Scottish Rites, being a thirty-second degree Mason of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and also belonging to the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Southern New England Textile Association, and also of the Masonic Club, and the Herrick Club, of Fall River. He is





John H. Carey



a member of the Episcopal church, and being very fond of bowling, belongs to the bowling team of the men's class of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Moss married, in 1900, in Blackburn, England, Ellen Wilkinson, who was born in Lancashire, daughter of Richard and Prudence Wilkinson, both now residents of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Moss have a daughter, Ruth, born in 1915.

**JOHN HENRY CAREY**—A great many years ago, Edward P. Carey came to Fall River, and about 1893 became a member of the Fall River Fire Department and has now been in that service thirty years, being now (1923) second deputy chief of the department. He was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts, his wife, Isabella Frances McManus, being born in Dedham, Massachusetts, and both now living. They were the parents of three children: John Henry, president and treasurer of the Carey Quarry and Construction Company, of Fall River, of further mention; Dr. Edward F.; and Thomas J., superintendent of the Carey Quarry and Construction Company.

John Henry Carey, son of Edward P. and Isabella Frances (McManus) Carey, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, on January 2, 1890. He was educated in the public schools of his city, finishing with graduation from B. M. C. Durfee High School, class of 1910. In that year he entered the employ of Henry Savoie, in the granite business, founded by Mr. Savoie in 1898. In 1912 Mr. Carey, then but twenty-two years of age, was admitted to a partnership with Mr. Savoie, the business within that same year being incorporated under the name of the Savoie Quarry and Construction Company. The corporation operated a quarry and engaged in general construction work, continuing thus until 1917, when the interest of Mr. Savoie passed to Mr. Carey through his purchase of his partner's share in the concern, and the name became as it stands today, the Carey Quarry and Construction Company. This corporation now operates two granite quarries and has offices in both Fall River, at No. 56 North Main street, and in New Bedford. The business of the company has grown to most creditable proportions, the quarries supplying paving blocks, curbing and the cut granite for many of the buildings in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, the most recent being the Masonic Temple at Fall River. Along the construction and building line may be found school houses, churches, recreation buildings, and various types of mill construction. A force of 225 men has been employed at times and the business under Mr. Carey's management has prospered.

Mr. Carey is a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus, of Fall River; and a member of Fall River Lodge, No. 118, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; member of the Chamber of Commerce of Fall River; the New Bedford Board of Commerce; the Kiwanis Club; the Quechequan Club, of Fall River; and the Dartmouth and the Country clubs, of New Bedford. In his religious faith he is a member of the Roman Catholic church.

**CHARLES S. MCCALL**—Prominent in executive circles in the industrial world of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Charles S. McCall, of Taunton, is broadly representative of the energy and efficiency of the Scottish race, and his handling of the affairs of the Standard Stove Lining Company, Incorporated, places him among the foremost executives of the day in Taunton. Mr. McCall is a son of William McCall, who was born in Scotland in the year 1819, and died in 1911. He was a clay worker by trade, and a man of the highest character. The mother, Jeanette (Shaw) McCall, was also born in Scotland, and died in the year 1903.

Charles S. McCall was born in Scotland, July 13, 1853. His education was acquired in the schools of his native land and Nova Scotia, to which country his family removed in his boyhood. Thirteen years of age when he crossed the Atlantic, he came to Taunton, Massachusetts, at the age of eighteen, and his first employment here was with the Williams Stove Lining Company, which organization he entered as an ordinary workman. Three years later he was given entire charge of the plant, and remained with this concern for thirty-three years, after which he resigned to form his present affiliation. It was in the year 1904 that Mr. McCall became identified with the Standard Stove Lining Company, Incorporated, and he has developed this enterprise very largely since taking up the responsibilities of his present position. This concern was established in the year 1870, under the firm name of French & Winslow, in which form it was continued for thirty-four years, carrying on the manufacture of stove linings exclusively. Since taking over the interest as treasurer and general manager in the year 1904, Mr. McCall has increased the capacity of the plant and its three large kilns to 18,000 pieces, nearly five times its capacity when he entered the organization. The company has now been known for nearly twenty years as the Standard Stove Lining Company, Incorporated, and they now employ fifty hands and ship their product to all parts of the United States and Canada. It is generally considered that Mr. McCall's energy and ability have placed the concern on its present basis, and he is highly esteemed throughout the trade. He is further affiliated with the industries of Bristol county as a director of the Taunton Rubber Company. Fraternally he is a member of the Alfred Baylies Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, holding the various chairs in this lodge and being president of the Building Association; and the Order of the Scottish Clans. His religious affiliation is with the Presbyterian church.

Mr. McCall married, in 1881, Lydia Dean Haskins, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Calvin and Ruth (Holland) Haskins.

**DONALD Le STAGE**—A leading figure in the jewelry industry in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, Donald Le Stage has attained large success and

is carrying forward extensive interests through his leadership of the present organization, known as the Le Stage Manufacturing Company. The same general line of endeavor has commanded his attention since the completion of his education, and he has demonstrated large executive ability in carrying the present interest to a high position in the trade. Mr. LeStage is a son of John Le Stage who was born at Plattsburg, New York, and spent the greater part of his life as a railroad man. The mother, Mary (Mac Donald) Le Stage, is also a native of the State of New York.

Donald Le Stage was born at Plattsburg, New York, December 25, 1876. Following his early studies in the local public and high schools, he prepared for college at Manlius, St. John's School, then entered Brown University, at Providence, Rhode Island, from which he was graduated in the class of 1901. Coming to North Attleboro, Massachusetts, immediately following his graduation, Mr. Le Stage entered the business world as an employee of the H. D. Merritt Company and was active in this capacity as a bench hand for a period of two years. He then was made a member of the sales force and acquired a quarter-interest in the firm. In 1914 Mr. Le Stage sold out his interest in this business and purchased the stock and tools of the B. S. Freeman Company and in 1915 established himself under the firm name of the Le Stage Manufacturing Company. Beginning in a very small way with a plant at Attleboro Falls, Mr. LeStage took up the manufacture of chains, lockets and bracelets, and was soon producing a very complete line of these articles of jewelry. In 1917 he removed to his present location, at No. 11 Jay street, North Attleboro, where he occupies one entire floor. The growth of this concern has been very rapid, as can readily be seen from the fact that the start was made with only six employees, whereas now seventy-five are required to handle the work of the plant. During the entire period of its history this concern has worked full time daily without cessation of its activities and only the highest class of goods is produced. On July 17, 1922, Mr. Le Stage purchased the O. M. Draper Company, one of the oldest established jewelry firms in the United States, investors of the Boston swedged link and originators of fire gilt chains. This concern also employs about seventy-five hands. Mr. Le Stage is president and treasurer of both the O. M. Draper Company and the Le Stage Manufacturing Company, and his associates in the latter are: Harry E. Hull, vice-president, and Fred L. Jones, secretary. The large ability and constant effort which Mr. Le Stage has given to his manufacturing activities place him among the foremost executives of the Attleboros, and as a man and a citizen, as well as in his executive capacity, he is esteemed by all who know him. Mr. Le Stage's further activities in the interests of this section are a directorship in the Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Coöperative Refinery, the New England Jewelers' and Silversmiths' Association, the Manufacturing Jewelers'

Board of Trade, of Providence, Rhode Island, and he is a trustee of the North Attleboro Public Library. He is affiliated further with the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, the National Association of Manufacturers, and of the North Attleboro Board of Trade. A Republican by political affiliation, Mr. Le Stage takes only the citizens' interest in political matters, but in every worthy movement bears a constructive part. During the World War he served as treasurer of the local Red Cross. Fraternally he is affiliated with Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of North Attleboro; Rabboni Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar. His clubs are: The Wannamoisset, the Franklin and the Turks Head, of Providence, Rhode Island. Mr. Le Stage has always taken the greatest interest in athletics. During his years at college he was for two years captain of the Brown University baseball team, receiving at that time very flattering offers from several of the major league clubs, and his name stands next to that of Fred Tenney among Brown's most noted stars of the diamond. It was mainly through his endeavors that North Attleboro was furnished with such excellent baseball. Mr. Le Stage is affiliated with the Universalist church.

Donald Le Stage married, in 1904, Jane Fisher, of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Clarence W. and Henrietta (Franklin) Fisher, her father a manufacturing jeweler. Mr. and Mrs. LeStage are the parents of two children: Henrietta, born August 14, 1906; and Donald, Jr., born April 13, 1908.

**WILLIAM HENRY SHERRY** — Prominent among the successful contracting concerns of Fall River, Massachusetts, is the firm of Greany & Sherry, whose offices are located at No. 56 North Main street. Mr. Sherry is a son of John William and Margaret (McNally) Sherry, both of whom were born in 1861, and both now living in Fall River.

Born in North Pownal, Vermont, in August, 1890, William Henry Sherry attended the public schools of his native district for a time and then removed with his parents to Utica, New York, where he attended the grammar and high schools. In 1908 the family removed to Fall River, and after attending Durfee High School for a time, Mr. Sherry became a student in the Wentworth Technical School in Boston, where he continued his studies for a year. In 1917 he found his first employment with the McNally Construction Company, of Fall River, with whom he remained until 1919. In that year he formed a partnership with Alfred G. Greany, of Fall River, and engaged in the contracting business for himself, under the the firm name of Greany & Sherry. The firm established offices in the National Bank building, at No. 56 North Main street, and met with encouraging success from the beginning. Their patronage rapidly grew until at the present time, although they have been engaged in business for only four years, they rank among the best known



general contractors of the city. Among the many large contracts which they have filled may be mentioned: the Somerset School, of Pottersville; the President Avenue School, of Fall River; St. Anne's Parochial School; Out Patient and Maternity Hospital; and the East Taunton School. In addition to these the firm of Greany & Sherry has erected many other buildings, including the Border City School, a two hundred car garage in Fall River, which is just completed, and numerous private dwellings. They also, during the period of 1920-23, filled a contract for all the cement sidewalks of the city of Fall River. Each year sees a large increase in the amount of patronage which comes to the Greany & Sherry offices, and the excellent workmanship which the firm always guarantees makes certain that patrons once gained will be kept.

Mr. Sherry enlisted his services in the World War and was sent overseas as a member of the 302nd Infantry, 76th Division, but was later transferred to the 7th Field Artillery, 1st Division, and commissioned a sergeant-major. He served overseas for fifteen months. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus. He takes an active part in local affairs through his membership in the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and finds social fellowship and recreation as a member of the Lions Club. His religious affiliation is with the Roman Catholic church.

In Fall River, Massachusetts, October 27, 1921, William Henry Sherry married Florence Cuttle, a native of Fall River, daughter of John and Catherine (Perkins) Cuttle, both natives of Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Sherry are the parents of one daughter, Florence B., who was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, August 7, 1922.

**KENNETH C. SHERMAN**—The name of Sherman has for many years borne special significance to the people of Mansfield, Massachusetts, and in a large area of the surrounding communities, for, in the undertaking business, father and son were long affiliated together and the business is now carried on by Kenneth C. Sherman, the son of the former owner. Mr. Sherman gives to the duties which devolve upon him not only the natural ability and painstaking care of the capable executive but the progressive spirit which characterizes his every relation of life. Elbridge G. Sherman, Mr. Sherman's father and the former head of this interest, was born at Foxboro, Massachusetts, and in early life was active as an iron molder, learning this trade after the completion of his education and following it for a number of years. During the last five years of his activity in that connection, Mr. Sherman was foreman of the Chilson Iron Foundry. He died May 25, 1914. The mother, Cecilia J. (Corey) Sherman, was born in Mansfield, Massachusetts, and survived her husband for a number of years, passing away April 15, 1923.

Kenneth C. Sherman was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, October 18, 1885. His education was begun in the local public schools and he was gradu-

ated from the Mansfield High School in the class of 1905. Later he took a course along practical commercial lines at the Bryant & Stratton Business College, at Boston. Meanwhile, with the purpose in view of entering the business of which his father was the head, Mr. Sherman took a special course of embalming at the New England Institute of Embalming, at Boston. He then entered the business with his father and until his death was associated with him. This concern was originally established by Seth Carroll Shepard on July 1, 1872. The first location was on Spring street, in Mansfield, and Mr. Shepard was the sole owner until the year 1890, when Elbridge G. Sherman purchased an interest in the enterprise and became a partner. In 1894 Mr. Sherman bought out Mr. Shepard's interest and continued as the owner until the year 1907, when he received as partner his son, Kenneth C. Sherman, the firm name thereby becoming E. G. Sherman & Son. Although the elder Mr. Sherman passed away more than nine years ago, the firm name has remained the same until the present time. The enterprise was located for a number of years at No. 242 North Main street but was later removed to its present location at No. 69 North Main street. As the head of this business, Kenneth C. Sherman has carried it forward in a thoroughly up-to-date and progressive manner, keeping in touch with all advance in his field of endeavor and constantly adding to his equipment as methods changed or developed. Mr. Sherman is further interested in the local advance as a director of the Mansfield Coöperative Bank. He is a member of the National Undertakers' Association and the Massachusetts Undertakers' Association. He is fraternally affiliated with St. James Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of which he is past master; Keystone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Massachusetts Consistory; Mansfield Lodge, No. 194, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Order of the Eastern Star, of which he is past patron. Mr. Sherman is a member of the Winthrop Club, of Mansfield, and supports the Republican party in political affairs, although he has never accepted official honors. His religious convictions place his membership with the Congregational church.

Mr. Sherman married, on January 21, 1911, N. Frances Bayley, of Mansfield, Massachusetts, daughter of J. Frank and Nellie (Sweet) Bayley, of Massachusetts, her father being engaged in the railroad industry throughout his entire lifetime. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman are the parents of two children: Kenneth Bayley, born May 17, 1912; and Philip Elbridge, born July 26, 1917.

**JABEZ HOLT PERRY**—Active in the printing business in Attleboro, Massachusetts, for the past nine years in an independent way, Jabez Holt Perry is noted among the successful and progressive young men of the day in Bristol county. A native of England but a resident of the United States since his



youth, Mr. Perry is a thoroughly practical man and is meeting the daily need of the business world of Attleboro in his own line of activity. He is a son of Jabez and Mary (Holt) Perry.

Jabez Holt Perry was born at Manchester, England, September 15, 1888. Receiving a practical education in the National schools of his native country, he came to the United States in the year 1905 and secured employment in the office of the "Attleboro Daily Sun." There he learned the trade of printer and remained with this concern a period of ten years. Then establishing his present business as job and commercial printer, Mr. Perry has since gone forward as the head of his own enterprise and has attained marked success. Naturally gifted with artistic taste and the capacity for doing fine and attractive work, his printing shows a distinctive quality which is all too rare in the graphic arts, and among those business organizations who place their work in his hands, its excellence and taste are counted as assets in their own progress. He does principally commercial work, but also handles a large share of the social printing demanded by the people of Attleboro. Occupying a floor space of some 22,000 square feet, he employs a number of hands, and has thus far handled only local work, but his future is considered as one of great promise. Mr. Perry is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is affiliated with Orient Lodge, No. 279, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the Encampment, No. 80; and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie No. 1749. He is a Republican by political affiliation, but has thus far never aspired to public honors. He is identified with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Jabez Holt Perry married, on October 4, 1915, at Attleboro, Massachusetts, Esther E. Grover, daughter of Stillman R. and Theodora A. (Ashley) Grover, who both died in 1917. The father was a tool-maker by occupation, a man of the highest character and well known in Attleboro. Mr. and Mrs. Perry have one child, Ethel G., born August 13, 1916.

**WILLIAM HENRY BEATTIE**, for fifty-six years, has been a resident of Fall River, Massachusetts, though he was born in the neighboring State of Rhode Island. For nearly forty years he has been associated with the contracting business, and there are none in the State who know the demands of his particular line better than he.

William Beattie, father of William Henry Beattie, was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, in 1830, and came to this country as a boy, settling in Newport, Rhode Island, removing thence to Fall River, in 1867, where he became the owner and operator of large granite quarries. In connection with his quarrying operations he conducted a contracting business, which developed into a large concern before the time of his death, which occurred in 1915. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Masonic order. He married Mary Hamilton, who was born in England in 1833, and died in 1918, and they were the parents of three sons: Roy H., who is a large

contractor in Fall River; David, who was also engaged in the contracting business, under the firm name of Beattie & Wilcox, and who died in 1918; and William Henry, of further mention.

William Henry Beattie, son of William and Mary (Hamilton) Beattie, was born in Newport, Rhode Island, April 2, 1864, and was taken to Fall River, Massachusetts, by his parents when he was three years of age. He attended the public schools of Fall River, graduating from the high school in 1882, and then entered Brown University, from which he was graduated in 1886 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. After graduation, he associated himself with his father in the granite and contracting business, and maintained that connection until 1895 when he formed a partnership with George H. Cornell, under the firm name of Beattie & Cornell, and engaged in the general contracting business for himself. The enterprise met with encouraging success from the beginning and steadily grew. The firm engaged in a general line of constructing work, including the building of roads, mills, public buildings of all kinds, and private dwellings. Among the large contracts which they have filled may be mentioned the Bristol county jail, several churches, many roads, a large number of mills, and many beautiful residences. The Sagamore Mill, No. 3, is one of the largest mills constructed by the firm. As the amount of business handled continued to increase, it became certain that it would be wise to admit another partner into the concern, and in 1920 Michael J. Collins, an old employee, became a partner. A vast amount of work outside of the county is done in connection with a still larger amount of local work, among their largest outside contracts being with Esmond Mills, at Esmond, Rhode Island; Cheney Brothers Velvet Mills, at South Manchester, Connecticut; and Wilkes-Barre Lace Company Mill, at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. The concern ranks easily as the largest of its kind in Bristol county, and each year sees a rapid increase in its patronage. In addition to his responsibilities in connection with the firm of Beattie & Cornell, Mr. Beattie is also vice-president and a member of the board of directors of the Pilgrim Mill. For more than thirty years he was treasurer of the Fall River Granite Company, which corporation has been recently dissolved. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. He takes an active interest in local affairs, and from 1914 to 1917 served as a member of the Fire Commission. He was for eleven years a lieutenant in the Massachusetts Naval Brigade, and was colonel of the 17th Regiment Infantry, Massachusetts State Guard, from 1915 to 1919. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic order, in which he holds the thirty-third degree, being one of the six in Fall River who have been thus honored. The degree was conferred in 1918. He has reached that high position through both the York and Scottish Rites, and has served as presiding officer in several lodges of the order. He has been very active in the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, serving as director for some years, and

still holds membership in the Quequechan Club, and in the Burns Club. His religious affiliation is with the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, of Fall River, which he has served in years past as a vestryman.

In Fall River, in 1888, William Henry Beattie married (first) Hannah B. Church, daughter of Charles and Albina Church, both natives of Fall River. She died in 1897, and he married (second) in 1899, in East Greenwich, Rhode Island, Genevra L. Spencer, daughter of James F. and Mary E. (Place) Spencer, natives of Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Beattie have no children.

**JOSEPH CLEGG**—Along special lines of machinery and tool production, Joseph Clegg, of Attleboro, Massachusetts, holds a prominent position not only in this State and section but in the United States. A practical machinist by trade, and possessing the ingenuity and energy of the widely efficient man of business, Mr. Clegg has developed an interest which takes rank with many of the more important industrial concerns of Attleboro in the significance of its products to mechanical advance. Mr. Clegg is a son of Henry and Emma Clegg, both natives of England, and his father still active there as a merchant.

Joseph Clegg was born at Lancashire, England, and his education was acquired in the national schools of his native land. Coming to the United States at the age of only fourteen years, Mr. Clegg located in the city of Attleboro, Massachusetts, where he learned the trade of machinist and tool-making with the Watson Company, remaining in that connection for three years. He then entered the employ of the firm of Whiting, Davis Company, of Plainville, Massachusetts, thereafter successively being affiliated with the Attleboro Manufacturing Company, the Holbrook Manufacturing Company, and the D. F. Briggs Company. On November 2, 1909, Mr. Clegg established his own interest in Attleboro, at No. 19 Summer street, under the firm of the Clegg Manufacturing and Tool Company. They manufacture jigs, fixtures, gauges, blanking dies, etc., also special machinery. Their specialty is blanking, forming and drawing of sheet metal. Mr. Clegg is sole owner of this interest, employs about fifteen men, and sends his products to all parts of the United States. During the World War the plant was devoted to the manufacture of materials used by the United States Government, especially gauges and fixtures, and Mr. Clegg takes pride that in all the war work of the time, he and his plant were numbered in the one hundred per cent. American group. Mr. Clegg early became a citizen of the United States, on October 23, 1900. He is a supporter of the Republican party, but has never accepted official responsibility. Fraternally he is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; and is also a member of the Grotto. He is further identified fraternally with Orient Lodge, No 165, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Attle-

boro and Manchester Unity of the same order, of which he is past noble grand. He is affiliated with the British Social Club and is a member of Murray Universalist Church.

Mr. Clegg married, on July 7, 1902, Annie Benson, of Yorkshire, England, and they are the parents of two children: Harry Bliss, born December 25, 1904, now a senior at the Attleboro High School; and Phyllis Lucy, born February 7, 1907, now in the junior class at the Attleboro High School.

**ROYDEN E. KENT**—In the manufacture of athletic goods, the name of Kent is widely known, and Royden E. Kent has for a number of years been at the head of the plant in Seekonk, of which his grandfather was the founder. Mr. Kent is a man of large executive ability, and is widely familiar not only with the goods of which he is a producer but with the lines of sport in which they are used. The Kent family is one of prominence in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and Elijah Kent, the father of the present Mr. Kent, was one of the prominent citizens of Seekonk, Massachusetts, throughout his lifetime, his death, which occurred in 1914, removing from this community a man whose worth was universally appreciated and whose every activity contributed to the general welfare. The mother, Ida (French) Kent, is also a member of an old Bristol county family and still survives her husband.

Royden E. Kent was born February 19, 1882, and his early education was received in the public schools of Seekonk. He later attended the New York Military Academy for three years. After completing his studies, Mr. Kent returned to Seekonk and entered his father's factory as an employee. He familiarized himself with every detail of the business by the practical method of experience in every department, and upon the death of his father in 1914 inherited, in company with his brother, the interest of which the elder man had so many years been the head. This concern manufactures sporting and athletic goods, making a specialty of tennis racquets, and this, their leading product, is sent to all parts of the world. Occupying about 15,000 square feet of floor space, they employ one hundred and fifty people, and this comprises one of the important and progressive industries of Seekonk. Mr. Kent is a supporter of the Republican Party; is widely known in Seekonk, which is his residence town; and he is considered one of the most progressive and broad-minded men of the day in this locality. He is a member of the To-Kalon Club of Pawtucket.

Mr. Kent married, in Pawtucket, on June 8, 1911, Helen Kent, a member of another family of this name, daughter of George W. and Lydia (Fairbanks) Kent. Her father, who was treasurer and manager of the Narragansett Milling Company, of East Providence, was born in Lonsdale, and died in 1915, while the mother survived her husband for a number of years, and died May 10, 1923. Mr. and Mrs. Kent have one daughter, Ruth, born June 20, 1912.



**HOWARD BRADFORD WETHERELL —**

Among the many problems unmastered in the early days of cotton manufacturing in Fall River, despite the deep study that was given to them by the fathers of the industry, was the serious one of providing a covering for the top rolls used in spinning, that would produce results commensurate with the needs of yarn-making. Various expedients were made use of without the real difficulty being surmounted. At that time word came that Daniel H. Wetherell, who was connected with the Hopewell Mill of Taunton, was an expert on the matter that was so perplexing, and he was called to Fall River by Lazarus Borden, who was agent of the Metacomt Manufacturing Company, to apply his knowledge to the covering of rolls on the promise of a lucrative trade. Therefore, Mr. Wetherell became the first maker of roller coverings in Fall River and probably in the county, and he laid the foundation of an industry with which the family name has ever since been associated.

Almost all the machinery used in roller establishments was made from Mr. Wetherell's designs and ideas, a fact that proves very strongly the close grasp he had on the device from the beginning. As the demands increased he secured as an assistant another Daniel Wetherell, a nephew, and under his instruction the younger Daniel developed so well that upon the death of the uncle the nephew succeeded him in business. Under Daniel Wetherell, the younger, the growth of the business was coincident with the development of cotton manufacturing in Fall River, and the services of Orin B. Wetherell were secured, a partnership being entered into under the firm name D. & O. B. Wetherell. When the senior partner died in 1893, Howard B. Wetherell, son of Orin B. Wetherell, became his successor, and the buying trade came to know father and son as O. B. Wetherell & Son, a firm that continued until 1907, then was incorporated as the O. B. Wetherell & Son Company, so remaining until the present, the father, O. B. Wetherell, being succeeded at his death by his son, Howard B., now sole owner of the plant and business; also owner of the Davis & McLane Manufacturing Company, one of the important plants of its kind.

Orin B. Wetherell, born in Taunton, Massachusetts, February 14, 1830, died in Fall River, Massachusetts, March 24, 1918, a son of Thomas and Caroline S. Wetherell, his father dying in 1869, his mother's death occurred in 1879. After school years were completed he learned the shoemaker's trade, an avocation to which he became an expert. In 1852 he entered the employ of Martin Wales, a leading shoe manufacturer of Stoughton, Massachusetts. It was Mr. Wetherell's habit to walk the distance from his father's home in Taunton, to his work in Stoughton, about twelve miles, each Monday morning, returning Saturday night after a full week's work. The physical vigor that made this no hardship took him to the ripe age of eighty-eight years. Mr. Wetherell was in that city in 1858 when his brother, Daniel Wetherell, proposed

the partnership that involved a complete change of business. But the offer was so attractive that he gave up his own business and removed to Fall River, where all of his interests were centered until his death, sixty years later. In 1893 Daniel Wetherell died and was succeeded by his brother, Orin B., head of the D. & O. B. Wetherell Company, which company was succeeded by O. B. Wetherell & Son Company, so continuing until his own passing in 1918. In addition to their own business the Wetherells acquired a large interest in the Davis & McLane Manufacturing Company, a corporation engaged in the same business, O. B. Wetherell becoming also president of that company, the two forming the largest plant for covering rolls in this country. The policy of the Wetherells toward their employees was and is such that labor troubles are unknown and men have grown gray in their service.

In politics Orin B. Wetherell was a Republican and a member of the Masonic order. He was the first initiate of King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fall River, and in recognition of that fact he was made a member of the Order of Henry Price at the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the lodge. He was always interested in clean sport, loved a fast horse, was a true friend to Fall River, and his influence was always exerted in behalf of the welfare of the community in which he had cast his lot.

Orin B. Wetherell married Hannah M. Barney, born in Warren, Rhode Island, in 1844, died at Fall River, Massachusetts, January 23, 1923.

Howard Bradford Wetherell, son of Orin Bradford and Hannah M. (Barney) Wetherell, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, and there yet resides (October, 1923). He was educated in the public schools and at Phillips-Exeter Academy, class of 1889, and began his business career as an employee of the firm of D. & O. B. Wetherell of Fall River, roller coverers. He became thoroughly familiar with the details of the business and in 1893 was admitted by his father to a partnership, later becoming treasurer of O. B. Wetherell & Son Company. Mr. Wetherell is now its sole owner, continues the business under the same name, and is one of the highly successful business men of Fall River, the city of his birth. He holds directorships in other companies, but his principal interests are in O. B. Wetherell & Son Company.

Mr. Wetherell is a Republican in politics; a member of the Masonic order, holding the thirty-second degree; the Chamber of Commerce; Fall River Country Club; Quequechan Club; and the First Baptist Church Society. He is unmarried.

**MICHAEL JOSEPH COLLINS**—As a member of the firm of Beattie & Cornell, one of the largest contracting firms of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Michael Joseph Collins is taking an important part in the development of Fall River and vicinity.

Thomas B. Collins, father of Mr. Collins, was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1846, and is now living with his son. For several years he was







*Orin B Wetherell*



Leonard B. Kethurell





employed as a quarryman, but later he became associated with the New Haven Railroad Company, as a section foreman. He married Ellen McCarthy, who was born in County Waterford, Ireland, in 1850, and died in Fall River, March 1, 1922.

Michael Joseph Collins, son of Thomas B. and Ellen (McCarthy) Collins, was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, January 6, 1875, and received his education in the public schools of his native district. After attending the B. M. C. Durfee High School for one year, he entered the office of the contracting firm of Beattie & Cornell, and that connection he has maintained to the present time. He began as clerk, but in 1920 he was made a member of the firm, and at the present time (1923) he is an important factor in the growth and development of that already large and well-established concern. The firm of Beattie & Cornell was founded by William Henry Beattie, who was associated with his father in the granite and contracting business. In 1895 he formed a partnership with George H. Cornell, under the firm name of Beattie & Cornell, and engaged in a general contracting business, building roads, mills, public structures, and private residences. The enterprise grew steadily and at the present time, after thirty years of expansion, ranks as the largest concern of its kind in Bristol county. It does a vast amount of work outside of Bristol county, one of its important outside contracts being the erection of the War College, at Newport, Rhode Island. Politically, Mr. Collins gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Republican party. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, in which he holds the fourth degree, and which he served as grand knight for one year in Fall River. He finds healthful recreation and enjoyable social companionship through his affiliation with the Fall River Country Club; and his religious connection is with the Church of the Holy Name.

At Fall River, Massachusetts, April 24, 1901, Michael Joseph Collins married Abbie L. Shay, daughter of John B. and Margaret Shay, both of County Cork, Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Collins are the parents of three children: Ellen, attending the College of the Sacred Heart, Manhattanville, New York; Thomas S., who is now a student in Fall River High School; and Margaret C., who is attending the Sacred Heart Academy.

**GEORGE H. FULLER**—One of the well known business men of Bristol county, Massachusetts, is George H. Fuller, treasurer of the Sweet Paper Box Company. Mr. Fuller has been identified with the A. H. Sweet & Son concern for many years, and has risen through various promotions from the position of bookkeeper to the office of treasurer of the Sweet Paper Box Company.

George H. Fuller was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, October 22, 1878, and is a son of James A. Fuller, who is engaged in business as a jeweler in Plainville, Massachusetts, and of Priscilla S. (Crocket) Fuller, who with her husband is living

in Plainville (1923). After receiving a careful education in the public schools of Plainville, Mr. Fuller added to his preparation for an active career by becoming a student in the Bryant & Stratton Business College, where he continued his studies for a year. Upon the completion of his school training he became associated with the Mason Box Company, of Attleboro Falls, Massachusetts, and that connection he maintained for a year. At the end of that time he left the Mason Box Company in order to accept a position as bookkeeper in the employ of A. H. Sweet & Son. The duties of that position he continued to efficiently discharge until 1918. In the latter part of that year the paper box department of the concern was incorporated under the name of the Sweet Paper Box Company, and Mr. Fuller was made treasurer of the corporation, the other officers being Frank I. Nelson, president; and L. J. L. Amoureux, secretary. The firm is engaged in the manufacture of paper boxes and has developed into one of the thoroughly well established concerns of the county. Their plant includes about 8,400 square feet of floor space, and the volume of their business requires the services of about thirty-five employees. They have built up a patronage which includes all parts of New England and the Atlantic coast and extends as far inland as the middle western States. The enterprise is steadily growing and there is every prospect of an increasingly prosperous future. As a member of the National Association of Paper Box Manufacturers, Mr. Fuller keeps closely in touch with the activities of the industry throughout the country. In addition to his business responsibilities he finds time for local public service, and for fraternal affiliation. As a member of the school committee he is active and efficient. He is a member of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Attleboro; and his religious affiliation is with the Methodist church.

Mr. Fuller married, in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, in 1903, Louise Adam, daughter of Marcel Adam, a carpenter of Los Angeles, California, and of Julia (Degrenne) Adam. Mr. and Mrs. Fuller are the parents of the following children: Howard M., who was born in 1906; Myrtice L., who was born in 1908; and Irving J., who was born in 1920. The family reside at Norton, Massachusetts.

**JULIUS G. ROMERO**—In an interesting and important branch of industry in Bristol county, Massachusetts, Mr. Romero is identified with a prosperous company, being manager of the Anchor Color and Gum Works, with which he has been associated for the past twenty-one years. Mr. Romero is a native son of Russia and his parents are Henry and Emilie Romero.

The Anchor Color and Gum Works, of Dighton, Massachusetts, occupy a plant, part of which was built in 1861. A mill was in the process of building when the battle of Bull Run was fought in 1861, and those employed in its construction named the location "Bull Run." The buildings were of brick and were finished in 1862, Valentine Mason

being the superintendent of construction, assisted by his brother-in-law, Horatio Briggs. The plant was owned by John Dunlap, Captain William Cobb, and New York capitalists, who there manufactured cashmere for about four years when the plant was destroyed by fire. The property was then sold to a furniture company headed by Captain William Cobb. They partially rebuilt the mill and manufactured furniture for about three years, but not proving successful, the plant was abandoned and stood idle for about five years. At about this time the plant of the Albion Lead Company, of Taunton, burned, and the directors voted to purchase this property in Dighton. The brick building, later occupied by the color department of the Anchor Color and Gum works was added and used as a corroding shop by the Albion Lead Company. In those days, vessels loaded with raw material for the lead works, anchored off Spooner's Wharf, their cargoes then being lightered up Muddy Cove by Charles E. Whitmarsh. Misfortune followed the works which again burned, the property then passing to a company formed by John C. Jessup. They changed the plant into a color works, manufacturing oil paint, bone black, and Paris green, William Eakin being the resident manager. That company operated the plant for a few years, when Mason, Chapin Company, of Providence, Rhode Island, purchased the plant, and there manufactured water colors. In about 1900 Arnold, Hoffman & Company, of Providence, Rhode Island, assumed control of the plant, which they enlarged and otherwise improved. In July, 1906, it was again partially burned, but was at once rebuilt and operations resumed. This company manufactures water colors, soap and corn starch products, employing about seventy-five men. The surrounding grounds are tastefully laid out; has its own water supply and electric light plant; in fact, the works are now equipped with every modern improvement. The interests of the company are very ably looked after by Julius G. Romero, the resident manager.

Julius G. Romero was born in Russia, April 12, 1870, where his education was acquired in the public schools of his native country, he coming as a young man to the United States. For ten years he was employed with the Corn Products Company, of Chicago, after which he returned East to accept the position of manager of the Anchor Color and Gum Works, with which he has since been continuously identified. Mr. Romero has done much for the development and progress of the company and his practical ability and excellent judgment has been a factor in its prosperity. He keeps in close touch with the movement of the time in his general field of activity. He is a member of the American Association of Textile Chemist and Colorist of New England, and is strictly Republican in his political views.

Julius G. Romero married Sophia Behrens, daughter of Henry and Fredericka Behrens, her father a wagon builder, in Germany, her mother now deceased.

**HENRY FRANK GRINNELL**—For the past thirty-six years Henry Frank Grinnell has been identified with the Chace Mills, of which he is now treasurer and a member of the board of directors. Mr. Grinnell is the only child of George W. and Abby A. (Thomas) Grinnell, the former of whom was born in 1829, and died in 1911; and the latter, was born in Portsmouth, Rhode Island, in 1828, and died in 1903.

Born in Fall River, Massachusetts, July 30, 1867, Henry Frank Grinnell received his early training in the public schools of Fall River, but after attending the Fall River High School for a time, he became a student in the Providence (Rhode Island) schools, where he continued his studies for a period of four years. In 1887 he secured a position as clerk with the Barnard Manufacturing Company, of Fall River, with whom he remained for one year. The following year, 1888, he began his long connection with the Chace Mills, serving first as clerk and working his way upward through various positions, until, in 1911, he was made a member of the board of directors, and elected treasurer of the concern in 1914. The Chace Mills rank among the largest and best known cloth manufacturing concerns in this section of the State as well as among the oldest established, having been organized in 1871. The concern is engaged in the manufacture of print cloths, window shades and fancies. Its product is sold in practically every section of the country. In addition to his responsibilities as an official of the Chace Mills, Mr. Grinnell is also a member of the board of trustees of the Citizens' Savings Bank. Politically he gives his support to the Republican party. He is a member of the Quequechan Club of Fall River, and his religious affiliation is with the Central Congregational Church.

Mr. Grinnell married (first) in Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1894, Etta L. Smith, daughter of George W. and Susan (Gardner) Smith, both natives of Fall River. She died in 1919, and he married (second) in 1922, Lillian W. Smith. She died October 25, 1923. Mr. Grinnell has no children.

**DAVID T. SCHULTZ**—In the oil industry in New England, Mr. Schultz holds a prominent position as general superintendent and technical director of the New England Oil Refining Company, of Fall River, Massachusetts, and with much experience in this general field he is filling responsibilities of importance in this connection.

David T. Schultz was born in New York City, October 4, 1894. His education was begun in the public schools of New York City, and being a natural student and filled with an ambition to excel, his higher courses were marked with noteworthy achievements. A graduate of the metropolitan high schools, class of 1914, he won three scholarships in his high school course, namely—the Pulitzer, the New York State and the Cornell scholarships. Later entering Cornell University, from which he received his degree of Bachelor of Chemistry in the class of 1918, he won the Cornell University Schol-



arship and upon his graduation was awarded the Sigma Xi. His first experience in his profession was as a member of the Atlantic Refining Company, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and after only a short period he was placed in charge of their analytical laboratories. In this responsible position he was successful, and continued until 1921, when he resigned to accept the office of chief chemist of the New England Oil Refining Company, of Fall River, and in the following year he was made assistant general superintendent of the plant. In February, 1923, Mr. Schultz was promoted to the position of technical director, and in July was appointed also general superintendent, in which capacity he now (1924) ably serves. Mr. Schultz is identified fraternally with the Sigma Xi, honorary scientific fraternity, mentioned above, the Sigma Alpha Mu, and is a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Society of Testing Materials, the American Petroleum Institute, and the New England Industrial Editors.

Mr. Schultz married, in 1917, Sarah Stone, who was born in New York City, and they are the parents of one daughter, Blossom Iris.

**HERBERT C. BRIDGE**—Among the progressive and noteworthy young men of the day who are winning success and reputation in automobile activities, Herbert C. Bridge, of Somerset, Massachusetts, is taking a practical and definite place in the advance of the day. He is at the head of his own business and is carrying forward a steadily growing interest. Mr. Bridge is a son of Thomas H. and Maria B. (Bailey) Bridge, his father a teamster of Fall River.

Herbert C. Bridge was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, January 30, 1896. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace and he completed his studies in Somerset, where the family residence was later removed. Immediately after his school attendance was closed Mr. Bridge entered the employ of the Boston, Providence & Fall River Express Company, with which he was identified for a year and a half. He then worked in various cotton mills in Fall River and in the course of these activities learned the machinist's trade. Continuing along this line until he was twenty-two years of age, Mr. Bridge then became machinist in Newport, Rhode Island, at the torpedo station, and was active for about five years. In January, 1923, he established his present business as a garage and sales service. He represents the Nash, Buick and Ford interests in Somerset and vicinity and also has a very large and complete service garage. This is one of the most noteworthy establishments of its kind in this part of Bristol county, a very large and extensive interest. Mr. Bridge is Republican by political affiliation but never thus far has been active in political affairs except as a progressive citizen. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mr. Bridge married, on September 22, 1917, at Somerset, Massachusetts, May McHale, daughter of

Patrick McHale, who is active as a weaver in Connecticut. Mr. and Mrs. Bridge have three children: Everett C., born in 1920; Doris, born in 1921; and Harold H., born in 1922.

**ERNEST G. HAYES**—In the distribution of Ford cars and products of every kind, Ernest G. Hayes is attaining large success in Swansea, Massachusetts, and his garage, which is located on the Milford road, is a center of continual activity. Mr. Hayes has had extensive experience in mechanical lines of endeavor and his present business has been an active and going concern for nearly eight years; thus he is numbered among the substantial and progressive men of this community. He is a son of John T. Hayes, a weaver by trade, who was active in the textile industry. His death occurred in 1913. His mother, Sarah E. (Riley) Hayes, is still living.

Ernest G. Hayes was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, March 20, 1882. His education was received in the public schools of Somerset and Fall River, and as a young man he began his career in a factory in Pottersville, Massachusetts. Remaining there for about six months only, he then entered the machine shop of A. E. Rich, where he was engaged for about a year and a half. He was then active in the textile industry for about three years, after which he returned to mechanical endeavors, and was employed in a machine shop for fourteen years. Thereafter, for three years, Mr. Hayes was employed in a garage in Fall River, then, in March, 1916, he established his present business in Swansea. He handles the entire authorized sales and service activities of the Ford cars and the Fordson tractors in the Swansea district. With his practical training and experience and his natural ability as salesman and business executive, Mr. Hayes is doing a very large and constantly increasing business and is considered one of the leading commercial men of Swansea. In public life Mr. Hayes takes only the interest of the forward-looking citizen, but he supports the Republican party in both local matters and those of national import. He is a member of the Baptist church.

Ernest G. Hayes married, in Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1903, Eliza Burrows, daughter of John F. and Rebecca E. (Riley) Burrows. The father, who conducted a store, died in 1884, her mother surviving until 1917. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes are the parents of three children: Eliza G.; Ernest C.; and Edna G.

**FRANK W. SANFORD**, whose active career has been diverse in its ramifications, was born and reared in the State of New York, acquired his business experience there, but has attained prominence in his line of endeavor and has achieved success in the State of Massachusetts. He was born at Auburn, New York, on October 15, 1885, a son of Charles L. and Mary (Durbin) Sanford, respected residents of that place.

He attended the public and grammar schools of

his birth-place, and having received a solid foundation of the fundamentals of education, he left school and entered the employ of Foster, Ross & Baucus, dry-goods merchants of Auburn. Mr. Sanford remained with this firm for a period of ten years, learning the business thoroughly in all its departments and from all angles. At the end of this time he removed to Buffalo, New York, to accept the positions of buyer and department manager for the Wilson Company, which positions he filled creditably during the years 1910 and 1911. During the last two months of 1911 he was associated with the firm of Hens & Kelly, also dry-goods merchants of Buffalo. On November 6, 1911, Mr. Sanford came to Fall River, Massachusetts, where he became identified as departmental buyer and manager, discharging the duties devolving upon these two offices with his usual ability and efficiency until July, 1918, when he severed his connections with the R. A. McWhirr Company in order to take a part in the World War. He went overseas with the Young Men's Christian Association War Work Council and for nearly four years served with great usefulness and distinction with this humanitarian organization. He then returned to the United States, and again affiliated himself with the R. A. McWhirr Company, on June 27, 1922, this time in the capacity of general store superintendent. In this position with "Fall River's largest store," Mr. Sanford at the present time (1924) is still identified, his able and sincere work forming a definite asset to the progress and advancement of the firm. In addition to the war-work already touched upon, Mr. Sanford was active in the maneuvers of the National Guard of the State of Massachusetts from June, 1917, to July, 1918.

Mr. Sanford has limited his fraternal relations to membership in the ancient Masonic body, but in Masonic circles he has been very active. He is a member of King Philip Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Fall River Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Fall River Council, Royal and Select Masters; and of Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar. He also has the distinct honor of being president of the International Young Men's Christian Association "Y's Men's Club."

Frank W. Sanford married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1914, Madeleine Kirby, a daughter of Charles and Laura (Kirby) Kirby. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford are active in the social circles of their community.

**FRANK L. CADY**—Along a special line of manufacture which bears a direct and vital significance to the garment trades, Frank L. Cady is an active figure in the business world of New England, and as a resident of Mansfield, Massachusetts, is locally well-known in financial, civic and fraternal advance. He is treasurer of the Reece Buttonhole Machine Company. Mr. Cady is a member of a noted Rhode Island family, and a son of George L. Cady, who was born in Providence, Rhode Island, and died in 1853. He was a cigarmaker by trade, and a man of brilliant business ability, his death clos-

ing almost at its outset a career of great promise. The mother, Abbie (King) Cady, was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and survived her husband for many years, passing away in 1894.

Frank L. Cady was born at Providence, Rhode Island, November 30, 1853. Receiving his early education in the common schools at Mansfield, Massachusetts, of which community his mother became a resident during the early years of her second marriage, he later attended Taunton public schools for a time, then completed his studies under private tuition, at Mansfield, his preceptor having been John Berry, a distinguished educator of that time. When only thirteen years of age, Mr. Cady went out into the business world in the effort to become self-supporting and relieve his family of the burden of his maintenance. His first position was with the Reed & Barton Company, at Taunton, where he was active for three years, then he returned to Mansfield and for a few years engaged in farm work. Thereafter again associating himself with the Reed & Barton Company, he remained in their employ for a period of twenty-seven years, during the greater part of that time as a salesman on the road. In 1882 Mr. Cady became interested in the Reece Buttonhole Machine Company, of Boston, and during the entire intervening period has continued active in an executive capacity with this concern. Since March, 1888, he has served as treasurer of the company, and his long experience and practical ability have helped in the success of the enterprise, the character of which is indicated in its name. Although his business interests center in Boston, Mr. Cady is well known in Bristol county's industrial and financial advance, being president of the First National Bank, of Mansfield, and president of the Winthrop Cotton Yarn Company, of Taunton. He is a member of the Mansfield Board of Trade, and in every phase of community advance bears a constructive and progressive part. A Republican by political affiliation, he has long been influential in the ranks of the party, but has never accepted official responsibility. Fraternally Mr. Cady is affiliated with St. James Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and he is a member of the Congregational church.

Mr. Cady married, January 1, 1876, Caroline A. Hodges, daughter of Leonard M. and Esther A. Hodges, her father a prominent carpenter of Mansfield. Mr. and Mrs. Cady are the parents of three children: 1. Caroline L., who attended Wheaton Seminary, Chauncy Hall, and spent two years at Wellesley College; is now the wife of Fred Hewey. 2. Helen M., who attended Wheaton Seminary, and is a graduate of Wellesley College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts; is now the wife of Major Brainerd Taylor, of Washington, District of Columbia. 3. Frank M., who died at the age of nineteen years.

**CHESTER A. WOODROW**—Winning his own way to a position of large responsibility in the oil refining business, Mr. Woodrow is now a note-



worthy figure in this industry in Fall River, Massachusetts, and his activities are contributing much to the progress of the day. He is a son of Joseph H. and Rosella (Flaherty) Woodrow, the father, a native of Cecil county, Maryland, the mother, born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, where they were married. The members of the family have resided for many years on the Woodrow homestead farm in Cecil county, Maryland, where the father died in 1905, and where the mother, who survives, still resides.

Chester A. Woodrow was born in Cecil county, Maryland, July 7, 1878. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and after a classical course in the West Nottingham Academy, he covered a practical commercial course at the Eaton Business College in Baltimore, Maryland, from which he was graduated in the class of 1900. His first experience in his chosen field was at Clova, Maryland, where he became a member of the office force of Foster & Brumfield, important brokers in hay, feed, fertilizer and coal. Remaining with this firm for about two years, Mr. Woodrow then returned to the homestead farm, where he assisted his father for about three years. In 1905 Mr. Woodrow became the manager of a large stock farm in Cecil county, Maryland, which he conducted for four years, then he moved to Bayonne, New Jersey, where he secured a position with the Tide Water Oil Company, in the capacity of experimental engineer. He was later promoted to assistant refining superintendent, after which, in turn, he became superintendent of the refinery and filled this position until May 1, 1921. On that date he resigned to accept the position of assistant superintendent of the refinery for the New England Oil Refining Company of Fall River, Massachusetts, and on September 1, 1922, he was made superintendent, of which office he is now serving. Mr. Woodrow has risen by the aid of no influential backing, but by hard work, strict attention to detail, and the never-failing willingness to fulfil every obligation expressed or implied. He has but few interests except those which align with his business interests, but is a member of Mt. Vernon Lodge, No. 176, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Bayonne, New Jersey.

Mr. Woodrow married, in 1905, in Cecil county, Maryland, Delva C. Brown, and they are the parents of one daughter: Ila Beatrice Margaret. Mrs. Woodrow is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

**FRANKLIN D. HALL**, for many years a prominent figure in the jewelry trade in Attleboro, Massachusetts, was long at the head of his own interest, but of recent years he retired from the responsibilities incident to the conduct of a large and prosperous business, retaining his affiliation with the same general line of manufacture as an executive of the Electric Chain Company, but at the present time (1924) is again conducting a business of his own.

Mr. Hall is a man of broad interests and practical ability, and is contributing in a marked degree to the progress of the jewelry industry and to the local prosperity. He is a son of Ephraim Richard Hall, who was born at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, and was active as a master mechanic until his death, which occurred in 1868. The mother, Saarah Elizabeth (Lee) Hall, was born at Bellingham, Massachusetts, and survived her husband for many years, passing away in 1911 at an advanced age.

Franklin D. Hall was born at Mansfield, Massachusetts, November 5, 1853. His education was received in the local public schools, and he thereby gained a practical preparation for his future. Following the completion of his studies, he learned the trade of the jeweler in the factory of E. Ira Richards in North Attleboro, then was employed for one year in the plant of J. M. Bates. Thereafter for three years he was active in the employ of a Mr. Pierce, after which he went West. The call of his old home in New England was so strong, however, that he remained for only about two years, and upon his return he located in Attleboro, where he was employed by Whiting & Read until December, 1877. Mr. Hall then entered the jewelry manufacturing business for himself under the name of F. D. Hall & Brothers. Later, with the growth and expansion of the business which commanded further space, the plant was removed to Attleboro and established in the old steam-power building. Incorporating the business in 1915 under the name of F. D. Hall Manufacturing Company, the plant was removed at that time to the Tappen building, and Mr. Hall continued at its head until the year 1922. The concern from the first was engaged in the manufacture of chain trimmings, and until the last mentioned date its growth and expansion were steady and definite, and as the head of the organization for a period of more than forty years Mr. Hall held a foremost position in the jewelry trade. Advancing years compelling Mr. Hall to make some provision for more leisure and less responsibility, he sold this business in 1922, but his desire to continue in some active interest led him to associate himself with the Electric Chain Company, of Attleboro, and there he devoted his attention to the duties of manager of the findings department up to July, 1923, and then again engaged in business on his own account. Mr. Hall's leisure interests have for many years followed the line of agricultural pursuits, and he is the owner of a fine large farm at Mansfield, Massachusetts. Fraternally he is affiliated with Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and he attends the Universalist church.

Mr. Hall married, in Grafton, Massachusetts, in 1877, Sarah E. Strong, of that place, daughter of Luther W. and Sarah (Prentiss) Strong. Mrs. Hall passed away on January 6, 1923. Mr. and Mrs. Hall were the parents of two children: Luther R., born April 20, 1878; and Florence G., who became the wife of G. M. Chipman, whose death oc-



curred on February 20, 1922. Mr. Hall at the present time (1924) resides with his daughter.

**HOWARD N. FOWLER**—In newspaper circles in Mansfield, Massachusetts, Howard N. Fowler is numbered among the promising young men of the day, and his activities as managing editor of the Mansfield "News" places him in the front rank of progress. Mr. Fowler comes of an old family of Worcester county, Massachusetts, and is a son of Halley M. Fowler, who was born at Gardner, Massachusetts, and is a graduate of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, and a railway mail clerk by occupation, having received the rank of second lieutenant in Government work. The mother, Katherine Louise (Danforth) Fowler, was born at Cambridge, Massachusetts, and is also still living.

Howard N. Fowler was born at Somerville, Massachusetts, May 9, 1903. His education was received in the local public schools, and he attended high school at Quincy, Massachusetts, for a time, but was graduated from the Mansfield High School in the class of 1920. He then went to Brown University for one year, after which he took up newspaper work in Mansfield, and is now prominent as the managing editor of the Mansfield "News." This progressive paper was established in 1873 by S. B. Pratt, who controlled a number of newspapers in various cities and towns of Bristol county. Edwin Clark was the first editor of the "News," then in 1874 Thomas Strong Pratt, a brother of the founder, bought the paper, and his brother-in-law, William White, became the editor. Mr. White succeeded Thomas Pratt as owner, and was connected with the sheet for fully forty years. In 1917 Henry D. Smith acquired control of this paper, later selling the interest to the present owner, George W. Giles. The "News" is a weekly paper, appearing on Friday, and it has a circulation of eight hundred subscribers. Very definite plans are now being completed toward enlarging the plant and more than doubling its capacity. Mr. Fowler's energy and ability are counting definitely for the progress and increased importance of the paper, and his future is considered one of which the people may expect much. He is a member of Upsilon chapter of the Phi Sigma Kappa, a college fraternity, and of the Orthodox Congregational church.

**GEORGE HENRY BRAGG**—A name for many years prominent in Mansfield, Massachusetts, and always identified with useful and progressive effort, whether in individual interest or in the public service, is that of George Henry Bragg, who was a son of Sumner A. Bragg, who was born at China, Maine, and died January 27, 1909, at an advanced age. He was a railroad engineer for nearly fifty years, being one of the early pioneers in this field of endeavor when railroads were still a new and comparatively untried public service enterprise. Following his retirement from railroad work, Sumner A. Bragg became a leading figure in political affairs in West Springfield, and did much for the civic ad-

vance of that community. He married Sarah S. Paine, who was born in Mansfield, and died February 26, 1910.

George Henry Bragg was born at Providence, Rhode Island, January 30, 1855. His education was begun in the public schools of Mansfield, and he later studied under private tuition, his preceptor being John Berry, of Mansfield, a noted scholar and educator of that time. As a young man Mr. Bragg became interested in railroad work, and after serving as fireman for a period he was made locomotive engineer, and for forty-three years he was active in this largely responsible capacity in the employ of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company. The qualities of sterling integrity and unswerving loyalty to duty which he gave to his work in that long period of service place Mr. Bragg among those men whose usefulness to the people has been of more than usual significance and importance. He retired from railroad work in the year 1914, owing to ill health, and lived until March 9, 1917.

Mr. Bragg was a director of the Mansfield Co-operative Bank, and broadly interested in all that pertains to civic and economic advance in the community of which he has long been a resident. Politically he supported the Republican party, but the nature of his work has precluded the possibilities of his serving in public office, even had he desired the distinction. He gave the most cordial endorsement and support to every worthy movement and for many years was a member of the Mansfield Board of Trade.

Mr. Bragg was affiliated fraternally with What Cheer Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Providence, Rhode Island; Keystone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of Foxboro; also of the Royal Arcanum. He had for many years been a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and for several years served as chief of this organization, also was active as a delegate to various conventions held in this part of the country. He attended the Congregational church.

George Henry Bragg married, in 1878, Clara M. White, who was born in Mansfield, and is a member of the family of White, which is descended from William White, who came to this country in the "Mayflower." Mrs. Bragg is in the ninth generation from the pioneer. She is a daughter of Walter L. and Chloean M. (Deane) White, both natives of Mansfield. The father, who was a farmer by occupation, died March 19, 1912, while the mother survived him for slightly more than four years, passing away on April 2, 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Bragg were the parents of two children: Mabel A., a graduate of Rhode Island College of Education, of Providence, Rhode Island, now a teacher in the schools of Providence; and Walter S., who died in 1906.

**CARROLL L. BESSOM**—In the broadly responsible office of postmaster of Mansfield, Massachusetts, Carroll L. Bessom is serving the people in an

eminently efficient and courteous manner. His long experience in business and public affairs has placed him in a position to meet the needs of the people in a most acceptable manner, and his integrity and ability are commended by all. Mr. Bessom is a son of Lewis Bessom, who was throughout his lifetime active in the employ of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. He was a prominent citizen of Mansfield, and his death, which occurred January 28, 1921, was regretted by all who knew him. The mother, Caroline (Eastward) Bessom, died December 6, 1919.

Carroll L. Bessom was born in Mansfield, Massachusetts, February 11, 1886. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he was graduated from the Mansfield High School in the class of 1904. Mr. Bessom later attended Burdett College, of Massachusetts, for one year, then entered the business world of Mansfield. Various employment for the first few years, he became interested in the public service, and in 1908 entered the postal service as post office clerk. He filled various positions in the postal service until November 9, 1918, when he was made acting postmaster of Mansfield, then his efficiency in this position led to his appointment in February, 1920, as postmaster. He has handled the affairs of the local post office to the eminent gratification of all, and it is considered that he is one of the most satisfactory officials in this connection which Mansfield has ever had. Mr. Bessom is a supporter of the Republican party and a worker in its ranks, but except for his present office has never accepted public responsibilities. He is a member of the Mansfield Board of Trade, and during the World War served as Captain of Company E, 14th Regiment, Massachusetts State Guard. Fraternally he is affiliated with St. James Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Mansfield; Keystone Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston; Nava Grotto, of Attleboro, Massachusetts; Mansfield Lodge, No. 194, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and Foxboro Encampment, No. 81, of the same order. His clubs are the Winthrop, the Mansfield Masonic Social, the Boston Masonic, and the Highland Country, of Attleboro. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Bessom married, February 9, 1915, Ethel Fitts, of Mansfield, daughter of Edward P. and Caroline (Tabor) Fitts. Her father, who was superintendent of the Mansfield schools for twenty-seven years, is now retired. The mother is a native of Slatersville, Rhode Island. Mr. and Mrs. Bessom are the parents of four children: Cortland, born March 19, 1917, Margery, born September 15, 1919; Phoebe, born June 7, 1921; and Edward, born December 18, 1923.

**WILLIAM P. McDERMOTT**, basing his commercial activities upon a daily need of the people, and following wholesale lines of distribution, has won large success as a dealer in poultry and special

lines of provisions. His eminently practical attitude toward life and its responsibilities gave him the broadest possible grasp of conditions and affairs from the early years of his experience, and in his development of the interest of which he is a leading owner he has contributed in a marked degree to the health and welfare of the people over a very extensive territory including many New England communities.

Mr. McDermott is a son of Peter McDermott, who was born at County Roscommon, Ireland, and died September 12, 1893, after coming to this country and spending the greater part of his career as a progressive and public-spirited farmer of Bristol county, Massachusetts. The mother, Mary (Sweeney) McDermott, was born in County Cork, Ireland, and still survives her husband, at an advanced age.

William P. McDermott was born at Easton, Massachusetts, July 4, 1870. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he covered the early years of high school in the local institutions also. After completing his studies, Mr. McDermott entered the employ of G. F. & C. M. Austin, who at that time were among the largest dealers in poultry in New England. Shortly afterward he was charged with the responsibility of buying poultry, and for thirteen years he handled a great part of their buying activities. Mr. McDermott then went into business for himself, with a partner, under the firm name of Matthews & McDermott, and this interest was developed to one of great extent and importance, covering fifty-three towns and cities in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, marketing their products in Boston, Providence, and New York. This interest prospered and grew for a period of ten years, when Mr. McDermott sold his share and bought a one-half interest in the firm of G. M. Austin & Son, successors of the concern with which he was originally connected. With headquarters at Nos. 16-18 New Faneuil Hall, Boston, this concern has developed a very extensive and important business, and is one of the foremost, as well as one of the oldest, enterprises in its field in New England. Mr. McDermott is president of the Faneuil Hall Market Men's Association, an organization composed of the lessees of the Faneuil Hall markets, of Boston, and is counted as an authority on market conditions in the East.

While Mr. McDermott's business interests are principally in Boston, his public activities center in the community which has for many years been his residence, Mansfield. A Republican by political affiliation, he has served on the Board of Selectmen for twelve years, during six years of that time as clerk and during four years as chairman, and he has been active on many boards and committees in connection with the work of this body. During the World War, Mr. McDermott was a member of the Advisory Board and the Fuel Committee, and for two years served as president of the local branch of the American Red Cross. The war period brought out also, in a very marked degree, Mr. McDermott's administrative ability through

the fearful epidemic of influenza. He had charge of the hospital arrangements, which were conducted in the vestry of the Congregational church, and his tireless devotion to the work of that temporary institution was one of the bright spots in that discouraging time. He labored night and day to secure supplies for the patients cared for in that manner, who at one time numbered fifty-six. He received a certificate from the United States Government in recognition of his services rendered during this period. He was also the prime mover and principal factor in the establishing of the present form of town government, and has been a leader in all civic advance in Mansfield for many years. Fraternally Mr. McDermott is affiliated with Attleboro Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Columbus, and the Market Men's Relief Association of Boston. He is a member of the Mansfield Board of Trade, and the Winthrop Club, and attends St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. McDermott married, September 8, 1897, Ida M. Gregory, who was born in the city of Quebec, Canada, a daughter of Francis and Margaret (LaVelle) Gregory, her father a native of New York State and a dredge captain by occupation, her mother of Seneca county, New York. Mr. and Mrs. McDermott are the parents of five children: William G., born September 28, 1898; Francis L., born August 3, 1900; Helen M., born September 27, 1902; Edward T., born May 8, 1908, deceased; and Ruth, born June 7, 1914.

**PAUL W. JOHNSON**, in the manufacture of gold pens for the fountain pen trade, is a leading executive in Mansfield, Massachusetts, and his success has been built upon long years of experience in this field of endeavor. Mr. Johnson is a man of eminently practical experience, and in developing and maintaining this interest has added materially to the industrial importance and prosperity of Mansfield. He is a son of Paul W. and Mary M. (Hendrick) Johnson, of New York City. The father, who was a cigar packer by occupation, died at an early age in the year 1871, while the mother survived him for many years, passing away in 1900.

Paul W. Johnson was born in New York City, March 21, 1865. His education was acquired in the public schools of that city, and as a young man he entered the employ of LeRoy W. Fairchild, a manufacturer of gold pens. Active in this connection for a period of eighteen years, Mr. Johnson then came to Mansfield and established his present business, the Bay State Gold Pen Company, in association with Messrs. Walker, Wagner & Johnson. In 1905 Messrs. Walker & Davison started a firm in the same manufacturing business, then in 1907 Mr. Johnson purchased the interest of Mr. P. S. Walker, and in 1909 purchased the interest of Mr. William Wagner, and from that time until the present has been sole owner of the enterprise. Retaining the firm name as originally started, he has continued to develop and increase the business, and now his principal activity is the manufacture of

pens for the Moore Fountain Pen Company. Mr. Johnson has won a high place in the esteem and confidence of his business contemporaries in Mansfield. He is a member of the Mansfield Board of Trade, and politically is affiliated with the Republican party, although never a seeker after the honors of public office. He is a member of the Baptist church.

Mr. Johnson married, November 14, 1900, Emily Van Riper, of New York City, daughter of Charles and Augusta (Banta) Van Riper; her father, who was a contractor in New York, died February 9, 1917. Mrs. Johnson died December 8, 1922, leaving three children: Wilbur H., born March 1, 1904, a widely noted athlete; Aletha A., born November 5, 1905; and Pauline F., born November 16, 1907.

**ANDREW A. UNDERWOOD**, as secretary and sales-manager of the Mossberg Pressed Steel Corporation of Attleboro, Massachusetts, holds a broadly significant position in the local industrial world, and his ability and energy are counting definitely for the progress of the community. Mr. Underwood is a son of John A. Underwood, who was born at Readsboro, Vermont, and was active in the lumber business until his death, which occurred in March, 1922. The mother, Ellen (Ryan) Underwood, was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, and was a member of a very old family of that city. Her death occurred in 1916.

Andrew A. Underwood was born at Worcester, Massachusetts, November 8, 1889. His education was begun in the local public schools, and he is a graduate of the Worcester High School, class of 1908, also of the Worcester Business Institute. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Underwood entered the employ of the Worcester Pressed Steel Corporation as a clerk, and during the five years of his connection with that concern rose to the position of assistant sales-manager. In 1914 Mr. Underwood came to Attleboro, where he accepted the position of special representative with the Frank Mossberg Company, later being promoted to the position of manager of the textile department, and was active in this connection until 1919. When the Mossberg Pressed Steel Corporation was established, Mr. Underwood became secretary and sales-manager of this organization, which position he still ably fills. This concern was founded in the fall of 1919 for the purpose of manufacturing pressed metal reels for the textile industry, also spools, loombeam heads, drop wires, and special stampings, all being made of pressed steel. This was a new departure in textile equipment and superseded the old style of cast iron and wood to which manufacturers have clung since the early beginnings of the textile industry. Frank Mossberg was the inventor of these various appliances and the originator of the idea of applying wrought steel to these purposes. As secretary and salesmanager of this strikingly modern enterprise, Mr. Underwood has been largely responsible for its immediate and unquestionably permanent success. The use of this



line of equipment in the textile industry is an innovation of universal and permanent significance, and makes for increased production, economic operation and excellence of quality. Mr. Underwood is counted among the thoroughly progressive executives of the younger group in Attleboro, and has few interests outside of his work. Fraternally he is affiliated with Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and by political affiliation he is a Republican.

Andrew A. Underwood married, June 14, 1916, Theresa M. Waugh, of Worcester, Massachusetts, daughter of Thomas and Katherine Waugh, of Worcester, her father a veteran of the Civil War. Mr. and Mrs. Underwood are the parents of one son, William W., born September 9, 1917.

**GEORGE H. SNELL**—Along various lines of constructive effort having to do with the automobile industry and various other branches of mechanical and structural advance, George H. Snell is a noteworthy figure in Bristol county, Massachusetts, and stands at the head of a progressive and important industry. Mr. Snell has carried this interest to its present importance from a small beginning, and to his energy and ability is due the present eminence of the business.

Mr. Snell is a son of Moses Snell, who was born at Tiverton, Rhode Island, and was for many years captain of whaling vessels, the last one which he commanded having been the "Pacific." Mr. Snell died in 1873, after a long and worthy career. The mother, Rachael S. (King) Snell, was also born in Tiverton, Rhode Island, but survived her husband for many years, passing away at an advanced age in 1910.

George H. Snell was born at Westport, Massachusetts, March 29, 1864. His education was begun in the local public schools and completed in the schools of Fall River. Coming to Attleboro in 1881, Mr. Snell learned the trade of blacksmith in the employ of A. T. Wales, then at the end of four years bought the business of which Mr. Wales was the proprietor. This interest was at that time a small business entirely dependent upon the local trade. With characteristic energy Mr. Snell early began developments along various lines, and some of the products which he has placed upon the market are his own inventions and patents. This is notably the case in his pipe coupling and tee, which is now a part of standard equipment in water and gas distribution. This has been adopted by leading cities for their water department in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, Rhode Island, New York, and even in States as far distant as Illinois, and the town of Saint Stephen, New Brunswick, has adopted this equipment. The "S and S Easy-On" pipe couplings and tees are fitted with special rainbow gaskets which were also devised by Mr. Snell. He also manufactures castings and structural iron work for many branches of constructive activity, and for a number of years has done automobile repairing in all its branches, including the

manufacture of automobile bodies, tops and windshields, also painting and decorating. He carries a very complete line of automobile tires, tubes, supplies and accessories in his sales department, and also conducts a motor livery service. Mr. Snell's interests occupy two buildings, aggregating about 10,000 square feet of floor space, and he employs fourteen people. His business is the largest of this kind in Bristol county, and he is the sole owner of the enterprise. Mr. Snell was at one time a stockholder and director of the Attleboro Savings and Loan Association, and he has also served as a director of the Attleboro Coöperative Bank and the Attleboro Steam and Electric Company. He is a member of the Attleboro Chamber of Commerce, the New England Water Works Association, and the American Water Works Association.

In public affairs Mr. Snell has never been active except in line with his business endeavors, although he has long been a supporter of the Republican party. In 1897 he was elected water commissioner and superintendent of Attleboro and served for a period of fourteen years, during which time, through his energy and executive ability, much was done to increase the capacity of the Attleboro water system and to perfect its efficiency. During this time a concrete stand-pipe was erected which has the distinction of being the largest in the United States, having a capacity of 1,500,000 gallons, and the large reservoir at North Attleboro was also constructed under his administration. Mr. Snell has for the past twenty-five years been annually sent as a delegate to the Republican State Convention.

Fraternally Mr. Snell is affiliated with Ezekiel Bates Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, which he has served as junior warden; King Hiram Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Attleboro Council, Royal and Select Masters; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is a charter member of Pythagoras Lodge, Knights' of Pythias, of which he is past chancellor and which he served as treasurer for seven years, and has been delegate for eleven years to the Grand Lodge. He is further a charter member of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and first chaplain of this body. He is a member of Pilgrim Church, of Attleboro.

Mr. Snell married, November 21, 1888, Ida M. Hayden, of Burlington, Maine, daughter of John W. Hayden, of that place, throughout his lifetime a very prominent man in the lumber industry, and a leading figure in local public affairs, having been moderator of Burlington for forty years. Mrs. Snell's mother, Eunice P. (Brown) Hayden, was also a native of Maine, and both her parents are now deceased.

**FRED LUCIUS JONES**—Among the progressive and forward-looking young men of today of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, Fred Lucius Jones holds a leading position, and while he is prominently

known in this section as secretary of the Le Stage Manufacturing Company, he is far more widely known as a veteran of the World War, in which he was active for twenty-two months. Mr. Jones is a son of Frank J. Jones, who was born in Syracuse, New York, and resided for many years at North Adams, Massachusetts, until his death, which occurred in 1922. The mother, Frances B. (Le-Stage) Jones, was born in New York State, and died in 1914.

Fred Lucius Jones was born at North Adams, Massachusetts, July 16, 1894. His education was acquired in the local public and high schools, his graduation from high school occurring in the class of 1913. His first business experience was in the employ of the Boston & Maine Railroad, as a clerk in their offices at Rotterdam Junction, New York. Later he became associated with the North Adams Gas Light Company, so continuing until 1917, starting as stock-clerk, continuing as office clerk, and advancing to office manager, which position he held until his enlistment into the service. In answer to the call of humanity he enlisted in the United States Army and was assigned to the Motor Transport Corps. After a short stay at Camp Johnston, he was sent overseas with the First Army Corps, unattached, and saw active service in some of the leading battles of that times, including the Champagne-Marne offensive, the Aisne-Marne offensive, the Vosges Mountains defensive sector, and the Meuse Argonne offensive sector. He received his honorable discharge from the service in July, 1919, with the rank of corporal, and returning to civilian life went to New York City and was active in the employ of the Knox Hat Company until 1920, when he came to North Attleboro, Massachusetts. His first position here was as assistant to Mr. Hull, vice-president of the Le Stage Manufacturing Company, and in 1921 he was made secretary of that concern, which office he still fills. This company was founded in 1915 by Donald Le Stage (q. v.), and manufactures chains, lockets, and bracelets. This is one of the more recent but spectacular successes in the jewelry industry in North Attleboro, Donald Le Stage being president and treasurer, Harry E. Hull, vice-president, and Fred Lucius Jones, secretary. Mr. Jones is a member of the North Attleboro Board of Trade, in which he is now serving his second term as treasurer. He is a Republican by political convictions, but has thus far never accepted official honors. Fraternally he is a member of Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Rabboni Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of North Attleboro; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar, Attleboro, Massachusetts; and a noble of the Mystic Shrine of Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Providence, Rhode Island. He is a leading figure in the local post of the American Legion, and is prominent in the Young Men's Christian Association. His religious affiliation is with the Universalist church, in which he is secretary of the Universalist society.

PHILIP S. WALKER, in a special line of manufacture in Mansfield, Massachusetts, is prominently identified with the fountain pen industry, producing gold pens for use in the fountain pen. Mr. Walker has been active along this line of advance for about eighteen years, and his wide experience and large success have given him a leading position in the field in which he is engaged. Mr. Walker is a son of George H. Walker, who was born in Stowe, Massachusetts, and was active in New York City as an importer of fine and rare hard woods until his death, which occurred in 1897. The mother, Sarah A. (Hinley) Walker, was born in Birmingham, England, and her death occurred in 1908.

Philip S. Walker was born in New York City, May 12, 1867. His education was received in the public schools of the Metropolis, and following the completion of his studies he was employed in various gold pen factories until 1905. At that time, in association with Mr. Wagner and Mr. Johnson, he established in Mansfield an interest which they carried forward for about two years under the title of the Bay State Gold Pen Company. Mr. Walker withdrew from this partnership in 1907, selling his interest in the company, and at that time he established the present business in partnership with John T. Davison. Under the firm name of Walker & Davison they began the manufacture of gold pens for the fountain pen trade. They manufacture an excellent grade of pens, and their product is distributed in all parts of the United States and Canada. Mr. Walker has few affiliations other than those of a business nature, but is a member of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and also of the Winthrop Club. He is affiliated with the Congregational church.

Mr. Walker married, November 2, 1891, Alice M. Swett, of Mansfield, daughter of Frederick and Caroline (Fifield) Swett. Her father, who was a ship calker by occupation, died in 1905, and her mother, a resident of Mansfield, died June 2, 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Walker are the parents of four children: Gladys L., born April 21, 1893; Carolyn V., born June 26, 1894; George F., born May 28, 1898; and Frank E., born October 25, 1901.

ELISHA SUMNER WHITING is numbered among the progressive business men of Fairhaven, Massachusetts, who have made for themselves an assured place in the real estate and insurance field. His paternal grandfather, Sumner Whiting, was a ship-rigger, who for many years was associated with William Watson, of Fairhaven. Sumner Whiting married Hannah Lawton Gibbs of Newport, Rhode Island. The maternal grandparents of Mr. Whiting were Ansel D. Bourne, one of the early settlers on the "Cape," and Sarah Frances (Tabor) Bourne.

Born at Fairhaven, Massachusetts, June 29, 1872, Elisha Sumner Whiting is a son of Elisha S. and Sarah Frances (Bourne) Whiting. After attending the public schools, including the high school of Fairhaven, he became associated with his father, who was conducting a meat and provision business

at No. 42 Center street, Fairhaven. That connection was maintained until 1919, when the business was sold. On August 10, 1919, Mr. Whiting opened an office in the Town Hall and engaged in the real estate and insurance business. He has met with encouraging success in that line of business activity, and has become an expert appraiser of real estate values. He is identified with the Fairhaven Institution for Savings, and is president of the Masonic Building Association. Fraternally he is affiliated with George Tabor Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, which in 1902-03 he served as master; and he is also a member of the Masonic Club and of the Colonial Club.

Mr. Whiting married (first), in 1887, Vernice E. Hodgkins, of Wallingford, Vermont. She died June 26, 1888. He married (second) in June, 1902, Mary A. Lincoln. To the first marriage one son, Earl Sumner, was born, June 26, 1888; he enlisted in the United States Navy in 1918, and served in transport service during the greater part of the time until after the signing of the armistice. Children of the second marriage are: Hope P., born March 26, 1905; Rachel Tabor, born February 13, 1906; and Marion Sumner, born January 9, 1912.

**LYLOYD W. PRATT**, prominent in the manufacturing world of Taunton, Massachusetts, as plant manager of the Bay State Tap and Die Company, is bearing a very definite part in the local progress. Active in mechanical activities practically since the completion of his education, Mr. Pratt has won his way to executive responsibility through his own efforts and by the merits of his work. He is a son of Levi and Lillian D. (Glasure) Pratt, residents of Taunton for many years, and the father still active as a teamster.

Lloyd W. Pratt was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, August 28, 1873. His education was received in the local public schools, and for a time after finishing his studies he was employed as a teamster by Everett Williams, of Taunton. After a year and a half in this connection he entered the employ of the New Process Drill Company, of Taunton, with which he remained for about two years. He was next identified with the firm of Lincoln & Wood, also of this city, for about six months, then returned to the New Process Drill Company, remaining for about two years longer. He was next identified with the Altham International Motor Company for three years, building steam turbines and air cooled gas engines at Fall River, Massachusetts. He then became identified with the New Process Twist Drill Company, of Taunton, with which he was active for twenty-two years, during the latter decade of this period acting as superintendent of the factory. In May, 1917, Pratt, in association with E. O. Williams, established the Blanke Twist Drill Company, building their own plant. Mr. Pratt was made manager of the plant, his large ability and long experience being a vital factor in the progress and success of the organization. This concern manufactures all sizes of

drills from the smallest to the very largest in use today. On July 1, 1922, the Bay State Tap and Die Company purchased the plant, and Mr. Pratt still holds the position of plant manager. Mr. Pratt is prominently identified with fraternal advance, holding membership in King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Saint Mark's Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Taunton Council, Royal and Select Masters; Saint John's Commandery, Knights Templar, of Providence, Rhode Island; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

Mr. Pratt married, in Taunton, in 1894, Clara F. Delamo, daughter of Reuben and Susan (Williams) Delamo. The father, who was a molder by trade, died in 1916, but the mother died thirty-six years previously. Mr. and Mrs. Pratt are the parents of four children: Lloyd W. and Laurel P., twins, born in 1899; Ralph K. and Raymond F., twins, born in 1905.

**HERBERT W. BUTTERWORTH**—Along one of the most practical lines of commercial activity, Herbert W. Butterworth, of Mansfield, Massachusetts, is meeting the daily needs of the people through his activity in distributing retail groceries, meat, and general produce. As the head of the Mansfield Public Market he is numbered among the really progressive and noteworthy business men of Mansfield, and he is also prominent in financial and fraternal advance. He is a son of William J. Butterworth, a prominent grocer of Mansfield, and the mother, Emma J. (Pettee) Butterworth, is a native of Foxboro, and still living.

Herbert W. Butterworth was born in Mansfield, Massachusetts, October 10, 1885. His education was begun in the local schools, and he was graduated from the Mansfield High School in the class of 1904. Mr. Butterworth's first business experience was in the employ of George Bessom, of Mansfield, in the grocery business, and after about a year in that connection Mr. Butterworth, in partnership with Harrison Morse, established the present interest. They went forward together for about six years, then in July, 1912, Mr. Butterworth bought out the interest of Mr. Morse and continued independently. In October, 1912, he bought out the grocery business of C. E. Austin, located at No. 2 North Main street, and removed his entire interest to this location, where he is still active under the title of the Mansfield Public Market. Giving the greatest attention to the quality of his goods and to every precaution safeguarding the health and welfare of the people, Mr. Butterworth has developed a leading interest in its field in this part of Bristol county and is considered one of the foremost retail grocers in this section. Broadly interested in all that pertains to the public welfare, and always prepared to aid and encourage any effort looking toward the advance of the community, Mr. Butterworth is a prominent member of the Mansfield Board of Trade, and is a director of the Mansfield Co-Oper-



ative Bank. He holds independent convictions in political matters, and has never thus far accepted public responsibility of an official nature. Fraternally he is affiliated with St. James Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Mansfield Lodge, No. 194, Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and is a member of the Boston Masonic Club, the Highland Country Club, of Attleboro, and the Winthrop Club, of Mansfield. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church.

Mr. Butterworth married, at Mansfield, July 2, 1920, Gertrude Vickery, of Mansfield, daughter of Benjamin and Fannie (Tyler) Vickery, her father a market gardener.

**HERBERT CECIL EALES**—In 1907 Mr. Eales began working for the firm of Lord & Richards, monuments and cut stone, a firm that has now disappeared from Fall River's roster of business houses, but then an old and important one. In 1916 he started in business under his own name, and as a monumental worker and dealer he has been very successful. He is a practical stone-cutter and possesses true artistic talent, being able to draw a beautiful original design and then so skilled a workman that he can transfer the design to the imperishable marble or granite. He is a son of William and Margaret (Grey) Eales, his father also a monumental stone engraver.

Herbert Cecil Eales was born May 10, 1883. He was educated in the public schools. He learned the trade of stone cutter, specializing in monumental work, and in 1907 began working with the Fall River firm, Lord & Richards, makers of monuments. In 1916 Mr. Eales bought the lot No. 660 Pleasant street, Fall River, and established his own business there, continuing in successful operations until the present, 1924. He does general monumental work in marble and granite, special church work in stone or bronze, and recently placed a bronze tablet in St. John's Episcopal Church at Fall River. Mr. Eales is a Republican in politics; a member of the Masonic order; is a Knight of Pythias, holding the rank of past chancellor commander of Pocasset Lodge; is an Odd Fellow, and a past noble grand; and is a devout churchman, having served St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church for ten years as organist, and is now lay reader and ex-president of St. Luke's Men's Club.

Mr. Eales married, in 1909, Annie Hawkins, daughter of Henry and Clara (Hauby) Hawkins. Mr. and Mrs. Eales are the parents of four children: Edna, born August 3, 1910; Lester, born December 7, 1915; Margaret, born April 18, 1917; and Grace, born November 27, 1923.

**E. ROBINSON WILMARTH**, one of the notably successful business men of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, is a member of the firm of V. H. Blackinton & Company, a concern which is engaged in the manufacture of military and society goods in metal, including fine enameled badges. They also manufacture automobile plates.

Mr. Wilmarth was born at Attleboro Falls, Massachusetts, April 6, 1884, son of Edward B. Wilmarth, descendant of an old Colonial family who was engaged in the manufacture of jewelry as one of the owners of the firm of V. H. Blackinton & Company until the time of his retirement, and of Kate A. (Gordon) Wilmarth, of New Hampshire, who died in 1921. He received a careful education in the public schools of North Attleboro, and when his high school course was completed became a student in the Bryant and Stratton Business College of Providence, Rhode Island. Immediately upon the completion of his education, he became identified with the V. H. Blackinton & Company concern. It was definitely planned that he should learn the business thoroughly and be prepared to succeed his father when the latter should reach the age at which he might wish to retire. This plan was carried out. The son became familiar with all the various departments of the business, and in 1911 was made a member of the firm. Shortly after the admission of the son to a partnership in the business the father retired, and is now enjoying the leisure of his well-earned years of freedom from business activity.

The firm now operating under the name of V. H. Blackinton & Company was established in 1852 by Virgil H. Blackinton for the purpose of manufacturing imitation jet. The enterprise proved successful, and as time passed the business was enlarged to include jewelry of other kinds. Gradually the concern began to specialize in the various badges and insignias which are used by secret societies, lodges, and other organizations, and the new department proved to be so profitable that it has become the major portion of the business. The original location was at Attleboro Falls, but the concern now occupies an entire building, consisting of about 16,000 square feet of floor space, and the volume of its business requires the services of about fifty employees. In addition to the manufacture of all sorts of metal goods used by military and other societies, the firm manufactures automobile plates. The notably successful career of the concern has, of course, involved a rapidly increasing patronage, but the firm has strictly limited the distribution of its products to the United States. As it is the only concern in the New England section of the country which manufactures this kind of work, it has no rivals in that section, and does a very large business there. Since taking over the concern in 1911 E. Robinson Wilmarth and his brother, H. S. Wilmarth, have noted a steady increase in the growth of the patronage and in the extent of territory over which the patronage is scattered. Politically, Mr. Wilmarth gives his support to the Republican party, but he is not one of those who either seek or desire public office. Fraternally, he is a member of Bristol Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; Rabboni Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Shrine, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, of Boston. He is also a member of Aurora

Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of North Attleboro. His religious affiliation is with the Congregational church of Attleboro Falls.

On September 22, 1915, E. Robinson Wilmarth married Wilhelmina N. Frost, of Walldwick, New Jersey, daughter of Edward F. Frost, of New Jersey, and of Wilhelmina Frost. Mr. and Mrs. Wilmarth are the parents of one daughter, Alida B., born January 1, 1917.

**GEORGE E. CASSELS**—Since 1920 George E. Cassels has been engaged in the real estate and insurance business in North Attleboro. He operates under his own name, and is the sole owner of a notably successful and prosperous business.

Francis Cassels, father of Mr. Cassels, was a native of Ireland, who came to this country and settled in Rhode Island before the beginning of the Civil War. After the outbreak of the war he enlisted as a musician in the Fifth Rhode Island Infantry, with which he served throughout the period of the war. He died in 1903, survived by his wife, Ellen (Arrington) Cassels, also a native of Ireland, whose death occurred in 1918.

George E. Cassels, son of Francis and Ellen (Arrington) Cassels, was born in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, May 13, 1880. He received his education in the public schools of his native city, graduating from the high school with the class of 1897. When school days were over, he opened a men's furnishing store in North Attleboro, and successfully continued in that line of business under his own name until 1918, when he sold out and went on the road as a buyer in the employ of the Paine-Baker Company, of North Attleboro, manufacturers of jewelry. Two years later, in 1920, he decided to again engage in business for himself, but this time he chose a new line of activity. He opened an office and engaged in the insurance business under his own name. He deals in a general line of insurance of all kinds, and at the present time (1923) his office is located in the Badaracco building in North Attleboro. He has built up an exceptionally fine business in the short time which has passed since the establishment of the enterprise. In addition to his insurance business he also conducts an extensive real estate business.

Mr. Cassels has always taken an active interest in local public affairs, and has unselfishly given much time and energy to the advancement of the interests of his native town. He has served as a member of the School Committee for the past twelve years, and has served as a selectman for one year. Politically he gives his support to the Democratic party. During the World War he was an energetic worker in all the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives, serving as a "four-minute" speaker, and serving so well that he later received from the "Federal Government a certificate in recognition of his valuable service. Fraternally, he is a member of P. McDonough Council, Knights of Columbus, of which order he is a past grand knight and district deputy; and of North Attleboro Lodge, No.

1011, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in which he is a past exalted ruler. His religious affiliation is with St. Mary's Catholic Church.

In 1907, George E. Cassels married Annie McWeaney, of North Attleboro, Massachusetts, daughter of Francis McWeaney, a native of Ireland, who is engaged in business as a jeweler, and of Ellen (Brennan) McWeaney. Mr. and Mrs. Cassels are the parents of three children: Raymond F., born in 1909; Helen M., born in 1914; and George E., Jr., born in 1917.

**ROMEO J. ROBERTS**—A progressive and forward-looking young man of the day in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Romeo J. Roberts, who is the sole owner of a prosperous garage and automobile sales business on Broadway, Raynham, Massachusetts. A native of Fall River, and a lifelong resident of this county, Mr. Roberts has won a largely successful position in the business world, although he is still only a young man, and he is looked upon as one of the significant figures of the day in this community. He is a son of Oliver and Anna (Feesett) Roberts, both still living, his father a retail merchant in Fall River.

Romeo J. Roberts was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 6, 1897. His education was received in the public schools of his birthplace, and from his first business experience he has been identified with garage activities. As soon as he had completed his education he secured employment among the garages of Fall River, doing odd jobs here and there for about one year. In 1918 he came to Raynham, where he established his present interest, and has conducted his business with such excellent judgment and foresight that it has tripled in importance in the five years of its existence. His sales interests include the distribution of the Nash, Chevrolet, and Ford cars in this district, and he has also a very complete service station. His plant and show rooms cover about 1800 square feet of floor space, and he is doing a prosperous and constantly increasing business. In political affairs Mr. Roberts holds independent views, and he is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Roberts married, in Taunton, Massachusetts, September 1, 1916, Valeda Poirer, daughter of Lucian and Eliza (Bissonett) Poirer, her father a prominent carpenter of Taunton, and both parents still living. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts have three children: Joseph, born in 1918; Gertrude, born in 1920; and Jeannette, born in 1921.

**FRANK R. SERPA**—Successful for many years in agricultural interests, but more recently in a modern field of manufacture, Frank R. Serpa is a noteworthy figure in the business life of Bristol county, Massachusetts, and counted among the noteworthy citizens of Rehoboth. A son of Manuel R. and Mary Josephine (Gaspin) Serpa, Mr. Serpa is descended from Portuguese ancestry, and Manuel R. Serpa was the first man of this nationality to settle in Rehoboth. He was active as a farmer

throughout his lifetime, was a public-spirited man, and commanded the esteem and respect of all who knew him. He died in the year 1915, surviving his wife about six years.

Frank R. Serpa was born in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, February 20, 1879. His education was received in the public schools of his native place, and he worked on his father's farm until he was eighteen years of age. Thereafter, for about nine years, Mr. Serpa did painting and carpenter work in various communities in this section, as he was able to secure small contracts which he could handle personally. When about twenty-seven years of age he built a house for himself and family on a sixteen acre farm and carried on general farming on this place for about eleven years. Finding himself handicapped by lack of space on so small an acreage, Mr. Serpa then formed an affiliation with his brother, who bought a farm of forty acres adjoining, and they carried on the two farms together for a number of years. About 1917 the brother died, leaving his share of the interest to Mr. Serpa. He was so prostrated, however, by the loss of his brother, in whose companionship he had always taken the greatest pleasure, that he discontinued his activities on the farm and entered the New Bedford shipyards. There he was employed for about three years, at the end of which time he returned to Rehoboth and entered upon his present activities. Reconstructing the old car barn, he founded a business which is now known as the Rehoboth Enamel Company, specializing on all kinds of cast iron enameling. In company with other associates, Mr. Serpa has carried this business forward to large success, and in April, 1922, was made manager of the enterprise. This position he still holds, and his ability and energy are counting in a marked degree for the success and constant growth of the business. Mr. Serpa still owns a farm of fifty-six acres in Rehoboth. He is a Republican by political affiliation, and attends St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church.

Mr. Serpa married, in Rehoboth, Massachusetts, September 24, 1907, Virginia Viera, daughter of Manuel and Anna Viera, both still living. Her father is serving as fireman in the New Bedford Cotton Mills. Mr. and Mrs. Serpa have one daughter, Estella, born April 24, 1911; and one adopted daughter, Esther Devine, born April 10, 1903.

**HENRY W. SNYDER**—In one of the important industries of the world, and that represented in New England by only a few concerns, Henry W. Snyder is superintendent and manager of the New England Drawn Steel Company, their output being cold drawn steel and products of this material. Mr. Snyder has spent his entire career, thus far, in the world of mechanics, and is broadly familiar with the steel production through long experience in the great plants in Pennsylvania. Possessing executive ability of a high order, he has been one of the forces which have developed and established the present concern, and as superintendent and manager, he holds a position of large responsibility.

Mr. Snyder is a son of John C. and Mary A. (Plants) Snyder. His father, who was born in Indiana, was a stationary engineer by trade, and was active along that line of effort for many years, later being engaged in mercantile pursuits and being affiliated with the lumber industry. He died in the year 1920. The mother, who was a native of Iowa, died in the year 1903.

Henry W. Snyder was born in Burlington, Iowa, September 25, 1866. His education was received in the district schools of his birthplace, and he was first employed in the Locomotive Works at Burlington, Iowa, where he was active for about five years. In the year 1894 Mr. Snyder associated himself with the Bliss & Laughlin Steel Works, at Harvey, Illinois, where he remained for some seven years, during the latter time being active as superintendent. He then went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to enter the great organization then known as the Pittsburgh Steel Shafting Company, now the Columbia Steel Shafting Company, and Mr. Snyder acted as superintendent of both their plants, at Carnegie and Bradford. This responsible position he filled for a period of eight years, then became superintendent of the machine department of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company. In 1916 he came to Mansfield and erected the buildings for the New England Drawn Steel Company, and has remained in its employ as superintendent and manager up to the present time. This plant covers eight acres of ground, several buildings having been erected on the property, the main building being fifty by two hundred feet in ground dimensions. This is the largest concern of its kind in the East, and Mr. Snyder's management has become a factor of large importance in its field of production. Employing upwards of fifty people and making cold drawn steel and various products from this stock, the scope of their distribution covering New England. The personnel of the concern is a group of progressive and forward-looking men, whose fearless entrance into their present field meant much for the city of Mansfield, and they are counted among the really important executives of Mansfield. Mr. Snyder is further interested in local business affairs of Mansfield as a director of the Mansfield Co-Operative Bank, the Mansfield Tavern, and also of the Board of Trade, and he is president of the Mansfield Housing Corporation.

He takes a deep interest in all forward effort, and supports the Republican party, but has never thus far accepted public responsibility of an official nature. Fraternally he is affiliated with Saint James Lodge, of Mansfield, Free and Accepted Masons; Foxboro Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; Bristol Commandery, Knights Templar; and Aleppo Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; also a member of the Grotto. He is further affiliated with the Modern Woodmen of America and the Knights of Pythias, and is a leading member of the Winthrop Club, of Mansfield. His religious connection is with the Baptist church.

Mr. Snyder married, in 1886, Maude A. Bowersock, of Iowa, daughter of Isaac and Mary Bowersock.



sock, her father a merchant of Iowa; also a sister of the late United States Congressman Bowersock, of Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder have two children: Mayme A., a graduate of the North Bradford High School, and widow of the late G. H. Fredericks; and H. Raymond, born in 1892, and now a student at Pittsburgh Military Academy.

**JOSEPH H. BABBITT**—A progressive and forward-looking citizen of Berkley, Massachusetts. Joseph H. Babbitt has for twenty-seven years been active in independent business as blacksmith and wheelwright, and his usefulness has brought him constantly in touch with the local advance along many lines of endeavor. Mr. Babbitt is a son of Gideon H. Babbitt, a farmer of Berkley, prominent in social circles and successful in his field of endeavor. The mother, Lois (Hathaway) Babbitt, is also living.

Joseph H. Babbitt was born at Berkley, Massachusetts, January 29, 1879. His education was begun in the local public schools and he later had the advantage of a year and a half of study at the Bristol Academy. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Babbitt worked on his father's farm for about two years, then he learned his trade in the employ of James Maguire, of Berkley, remaining with Mr. Maguire in all for about three years. At the end of that time Mr. Babbitt established his present business as blacksmith and wheelwright and he has now for many years commanded the entire patronage of the community in this field. For the past seventeen years Mr. Babbitt has also had charge of the drawbridge in Berkley, but aside from this responsibility he has never been active in the public service, although he is a loyal supporter of the Republican party. He is a member of the Patrons of Husbandry, and is affiliated with the Congregational church.

Joseph H. Babbitt married, at Berkley, Massachusetts, June 26, 1901, Edith E. Maguire, daughter of Edward H. and Annie (Phillips) Maguire, her father a blacksmith in Berkley, who died in 1893, the mother dying in 1888. Mr. and Mrs. Babbitt are the parents of five children: Madeline W., born in 1902; Gladys, born in 1903; Milton, born in 1904; Russell, born in 1907; and Richard E., born in 1910.

**WINTHROP L. TIDD**—The textile industry in Taunton, Massachusetts, commands the efforts of many of the foremost citizens of Bristol county, and as the head of the Oakland Mills, Winthrop L. Tidd is broadly representative of this group of industrial executives. With a comprehensive technical education and extensive experience in various lines of business progress, Mr. Tidd has been identified with the Oakland Mills for the past eight years as general manager, but for nearly twenty years has held the leading executive office in this corporation. Mr. Tidd is a son of Joseph S. Tidd, who was born at Brimfield, Worcester county, Massachusetts, and died in 1904. He was a manufacturer of cotton cloth throughout the greater part of his lifetime,

and was a veteran of the Civil War, having served in the 43rd Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. The mother, Helen (Howard) Tidd, was born at Alfred, Maine, and died in 1918.

Winthrop L. Tidd was born at Warren, Massachusetts, December 25, 1870. His education was begun in the public schools of Taunton, and he is a graduate of the Taunton High School, class of 1887. Later entering the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was graduated from that institution in the class of 1893, with the degree of Bachelor of Science. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Tidd was active in engineering work all along the Atlantic Coast, from Bangor, Maine, to Charleston, South Carolina, then, after about ten years in activities of this nature, his interests centered in Providence and Pawtucket, but continued in the engineering world on the basis of the contractor. The death of his brother, which occurred in 1915, left the Oakland Mills of Taunton without a manager. Winthrop L. Tidd had been president of this corporation in which he held a large financial interest, from the year 1904 until 1915, and following the death of his brother, he took over the management of this mill. This concern was established in 1873 by A. F. Howard & Son, for the purpose of manufacturing cotton cloth. Located in the village of Oakland, a suburb of Taunton, the name of the enterprise was changed ten years after its inception to the Oakland Mills and this title has since been retained. Upon taking over the management of the plant, Mr. Tidd filled the office of treasurer, and under his management the business has developed largely. The corporation owns forty acres of land, upon which the improvements include ten mill buildings and several tenement houses, besides a pond and wood lots. They still manufacture the finer grades of cotton cloth, and their product is shipped to all parts of the United States, also to a very extensive export trade. Mr. Tidd as the head of this concern, is interested also in the world of finance of Bristol county, and is a director of the Mechanics' Co-Operative Bank; and a member of the corporation of the Bristol County Savings Bank and the Taunton Savings Bank. He is a member of the local school committee, but although deeply interested in the public advance, has never otherwise accepted official responsibility. During the World War he was very active in the Liberty Loan drives and in Red Cross work, for which he received a certificate from the United States Government. Fraternally he is a member of King David Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons; and his clubs are the Winthrop and the Segregansett Country. He is also a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, of which he is clerk of the board of directors; and a member of the Old Colony Historical Society. His religious affiliation is with St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, of which he is a member of the vestry.

Mr. Tidd married, in 1904, Margaret Black, of Taunton, Massachusetts, daughter of Alexander and Isabella (Douglass) Black. Mr. and Mrs. Tidd are the parents of two children: Joseph S., born in

1907; and Douglass H., born in 1908, both in high school.

**STANLEY T. ROGERS**—In the modern and widely progressive field of automobile accessories, Stanley T. Rogers is carrying forward a prosperous and steadily growing interest at No. 40 Main street, Attleboro, Massachusetts, and the motoring public in this section has come to recognize in his headquarters a place where dependable merchandise and courteous service are the rule. Mr. Rogers is a young man of progressive and forward-looking spirit, and interested in all that pertains to the general advance. He is a son of W. Emerson and Jennie (Treat) Rogers, his father now retired from business; but the mother died December 30, 1912.

Stanley T. Rogers was born at Meriden, Connecticut, December 6, 1888. His education was received in the public and high schools of that city, and he was graduated from the Meriden High School in the class of 1907. Mr. Rogers' first employment was as agent for the Charles Parker Company, a large drug concern whose interests he represented in Connecticut for twelve years. He then came to Attleboro and established a business in the line of automobile accessories, bicycles, etc., and is now considered a leading figure in this general field in Bristol county, Massachusetts. Within the last three years Mr. Rogers has been obliged to expand his business three times by the increase of space in his headquarters. He is one of the progressive and popular young men of Attleboro, and is enjoying well deserved success. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and of Attleboro Lodge, No. 1014, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. A Republican by political affiliation, he has served in recent years as chairman of the local Board of Assessors.

Stanley T. Rogers married, November 1, 1912, at Attleboro, Massachusetts, Alma H. Hall, daughter of Clayton T. and Ellen (Waterman) Hall, esteemed farming people of this section. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers have one daughter, Dorothy, born in 1917.

**HENRY W. BROWN**—A noteworthy figure in agricultural circles in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Henry W. Brown, whose life has been devoted to farming activities, and whose success, especially in the production of asparagus, is remarkable. Mr. Brown is a member of a very old and prominent family in the State of Massachusetts, and in every generation his people have given to the world the fruits of high endeavor and the inspiration of worthy, upright lives. The Brown family dates back to 1629.

Henry W. Brown was born at Seekonk, Massachusetts, October 4, 1856. His education was begun in the public schools of his birthplace, and continued in Mowry & Goff's private school in Providence, Rhode Island. Upon the completion of his education the young man became associated with his father on the farm, and remained on the home place permanently. Lightening the burdens of his

father's declining years and caring for him in his old age, Mr. Brown inherited the homestead on the death of his father, which occurred March 3, 1910. He has always kept in touch with modern advance along agricultural lines, and this farm is one of the show places of Seekonk. Mr. Brown became interested in asparagus growing a number of years ago, and year by year has set out larger acreages; he is more than a local authority on this vegetable. The energy and good judgment which have carried Mr. Brown to a high position in his chosen field of business effort have for many years been devoted also to the public service. He has served for eighteen years as a member of the local Board of Selectmen, as chairman of the school committee for twelve years, and as chairman of the Republican Town Committee for ten years. In the years 1904 and 1905 Mr. Brown was elected to the Massachusetts State Legislature, and served with honor and distinction, both to his own name and to the constituency which placed him in the legislative halls of the State. Fraternally Mr. Brown is affiliated with Barney Merry Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Pawtucket, Rhode Island; Pawtucket Chapter, Royal Arch Masons; and Holy Sepulchre Commandery, Knights Templar, also of Pawtucket. He attends the Newman Congregational Church.

Henry W. Brown married, on June 12, 1883, Emma Negus, daughter of Robert and Ann (Carson) Negus. Her father died in 1912, while the mother survived him for some years, passing away in 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have three children: Florence, born in 1886; Alma R., born in 1889; and Robert J., born in 1904.

**JAMES BARRY, JR.**, who is engaged in the trucking business and maintains offices at No. 153 Broadway, Taunton, Massachusetts, has had considerable experience in various lines of business activity, but since 1922 has been at the head of a well established business of his own.

James Barry, father of Mr. Barry, was for many years owner and manager of the enterprise which is now conducted by his son. He died August 16, 1922, and is survived by his wife, Theresa (Henderson) Barry, who is now living.

James Barry, Jr., son of James and Theresa (Henderson) Barry, was born in Ireland, October 25, 1885, and came to this country with his parents when he was one year of age. He received his education in the public schools of Taunton, Massachusetts, and when his school training was completed found his first employment with William Alger, of Taunton, as driver of one of his teams. He continued to drive for Mr. Alger for two years and then made a change, finding his next position with Mahoney & Burke, with whom he remained for three years. He then became associated with the Oliver Holmes Company, engaged in the ice business, and with that concern he remained for a period of four years. At the end of that time he decided to launch a business enterprise of his own, and severing his connection with the Oliver Holmes Company he engaged in the ice business for himself

in Taunton, Massachusetts. For two years he successfully guided the fortunes of that enterprise, but at the end of that time sold out to a large concern, and continued as an employee of the latter concern, the Providence Ice Company. Later he left the Providence Ice Company in order to accept a position with his father, who in addition to the management of a large express business, was also in charge of the lighting of the streets. As his father's efficient assistant he continued for ten years, and then returned to the employ of the Providence Ice Company, with whom he remained for another period of three years. At the end of that time, 1922, the death of his father made it advisable that he should return to Taunton and take charge of his father's business, which now became his own enterprise. Since that time he has been successfully engaged in continuing and developing that business. He does a general line of local and long distance trucking and hauling of all kinds, and is giving satisfaction to a steadily increasing number of patrons. Promptness of service and care in the handling of goods have won for him a reputation which promises much for the future development of the business. Mr. Barry is well known and highly esteemed among a large number of friends in Taunton, and has always taken an active interest in the welfare of the community in which he lived. Politically, he gives his support to the principles and the candidates of the Democratic party, but he prefers to serve in the ordinary way of the average citizen and has never sought political office. His religious interest is with St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, of which he is an attendant. Mr. Barry is unmarried.

**FRANK ARTHUR BRADY**, a prominent figure in the industrial and manufacturing circles of Bristol county, Massachusetts, was born at Fall River, Massachusetts, August 30, 1877, a son of Thomas B. and Margaret (Healy) Brady, respected citizens of Fall River. The senior Mr. Brady was born in Manchester, England. He came to America when but a child and settled in Fall River, Massachusetts, where he has remained ever since, following his trade of barber. Margaret (Healy) Brady, his wife, was born at Dundas, Ontario county, Canada.

Frank A. Brady's early education was obtained in the public schools of his birthplace, and after graduation from grammar school he took a commercial course, and upon its completion immediately entered the employ of the Stevens Manufacturing Company as a cost clerk. Promotion followed promotion with a steady progression considerably hastened by the additional ability and efficiency gained by Mr. Brady through evening courses of study in the Bradford Durfee Textile School. From the position of clerk, Mr. Brady was advanced through various departments to the office of assistant superintendent, and in the year 1914 was given the important executive post of mill superintendent, which position he still holds, and the duties of which office he discharges in an able manner. The Stevens Manufacturing Company, of which Mr. Brady

is superintendent, was organized in the year 1892 for the manufacture of cotton bedspreads, and at the present time, after years of sound and steady growth, affords employment to more than 750 workers.

Mr. Brady's political affiliations are with the Republican party, but owing to the pressure of business duties he has not sought political preferment with view to office holding. Fraternally he has devoted his interests and time outside of his business to an active membership in the Knights of Columbus, being a past grand knight of this order. He is also an enthusiastic member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, which body of progressive business men has been so closely identified, and so largely responsible, for the industrial advance of their native city.

Frank A. Brady married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, in 1904, Grace G. Cuttle, a daughter of James S. and Elizabeth (Chatham) Cuttle, residents of Fall River for many years. James S. Cuttle was of English birth, while his wife, Elizabeth (Chatham) Cuttle, was a native of the State of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Brady are the parents of four children: Francis, now an undergraduate at Georgetown University at Washington, D. C.; James; Leo; and Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Brady and their children are members of the Roman Catholic church, and are active both in church work and in the social life of their community.

**IRVING W. SHERMAN**—In the construction world of Bristol county, Massachusetts, Irving W. Sherman holds a leading position, doing a very extensive business along the line of mason contracting, with his interests centering in Taunton. An eminently practical man, with experience in the business world previous to his activities in this field, Mr. Sherman is well fitted for the responsibilities which devolve upon him, and both in his relation to the public and to the men in his employ, he is going forward along thoroughly progressive lines, with the integrity and uprightness which count for permanent success.

Mr. Sherman is a son of Alonzo W. Sherman, who was also active as a mason and contractor, and was for many years prominent in local construction circles. His death, which occurred March 5, 1923, not only removed from the contracting activities of this city an able and useful executive, but deprived the community of a sincere and high-minded citizen. The mother, Harriet Lillian Sherman, is still living.

Irving W. Sherman was born at Somerset, Massachusetts, April 12, 1891. His education was acquired in the public schools of his birthplace, and his first business experience was in the capacity of collector in the city of Fall River. Active thus for a year and a half, Mr. Sherman then came to Taunton, where for four years he was identified with the Mt. Hope Finishing Company. He then started in business for himself as a mason contractor, and has been actively engaged in this field continuously since. He has won a leading position



in this business, not only in Taunton and in the county of Bristol, but in this part of the State of Massachusetts, and with interests centering at No. 11 Shores avenue, is bearing a part of large and growing significance in the development and prosperity of the city of Taunton. Mr. Sherman is a Republican by political affiliation, but has thus far never accepted office. His fraternal affiliations are with Charles H. Titus Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Taunton, and he is a member of the Eastern Star of Taunton. His clubs are the Bristol, the Winthrop and the Taunton Auto. His religious affiliation is with the Unitarian church.

Mr. Sherman married, at Taunton, Massachusetts, in 1915, Rose Pierce, daughter of Edwin E. Pierce, a furniture dealer and undertaker of Taunton, and who died in 1900. The mother, Sophie (Whitmarsh) Pierce, is still living. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman are the parents of four children: Elizabeth, born in 1916; Robert W., born in 1918; Barbara, born in 1920; and Clarie, born in 1921.

**CLIFFORD C. CANFIELD**, as superintendent of the Davis Mill, in Fall River, Massachusetts, is responsible for one of the largest cotton mills in the community. He received careful textile training in the Bradford Durfee Textile School and has had a varied experience in several different mills. He is an expert in his line and is rendering valuable service in his present position.

Mr. Canfield is a native of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, where he was born December 2, 1878. When he was about three years of age he removed to Fall River with his parents and in the schools of that city he received his education, attending the public schools, the high school, and the evening classes of the Bradford Durfee Textile School. He taught at the Bradford Durfee Textile School in the evening classes for a number of years. He graduated from New Bedford Textile School in Jacquard designing and cotton sampling, later graduating from all classes including carding, ring spinning, and steam engineering, and when his training was completed secured his first employment in the Osborn Mill where he was in the spinning department. That connection he maintained for a short time, and then became identified with the Barnaby Manufacturing Company, a concern engaged in the manufacture of gingham, which is now known as the Shawmut Mills. There he remained for three years in the pattern room, and at the end of that time he enlarged his experience by again making a change. This time he identified himself with the Hargraves Mill, in which he worked in the weaving-room for one year. His next position was with the Granite Mill, where he accepted a position as weaver and designer, and there he remained for a period of twenty years, rendering efficient service and becoming an expert in his line. After two decades of service with the Granite Mill he was made assistant superintendent of the Lincoln Manufacturing Company, where he remained for two years. At the end of that time, in October, 1923, he was offered the position of superintendent of

the Davis Mill, one of the largest cotton mills in Fall River. He accepted, and during the past few months has been demonstrating his ability as an executive. Politically Mr. Canfield gives his support to the Republican party. He is a member of the Fall River Chamber of Commerce, and fraternally is identified with King Philips Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fall River. His religious affiliation is with the Second Baptist Church, of Fall River.

Mr. Canfield is unmarried.

**CHARLES BODEAU**—During the entire period of his active career Mr. Bodeau has been identified with the weaving industry. Beginning as drop-wire boy and loom-cleaner he has risen to the responsible executive position of superintendent of Charlton Mills, of Fall River, and has made for himself an assured place among the able executives of the cotton-weaving industry.

Levi Bodeau, grandfather of Mr. Bodeau, was a soldier in the Civil War, was wounded in the battle of the Wilderness and died in a hospital. He and his wife, Amelia (Gegear) Bodeau, were the parents of Frank O., who was born in Millbury, Massachusetts, and during the greater part of his active life has been employed as a loom-fixer in the Charlton Mills.

Charles Bodeau, son of Frank O. and Herminia (Florence) Bodeau, was born in Tiverton, Rhode Island, January 11, 1887, but his parents removed to Fall River, Massachusetts, while he was still an infant and it was in the schools of the latter city that he received his school training. After attending the public schools he secured employment in King Philips Mill as drop-wire boy and loom-cleaner, but continued his education by attending the textile school evenings. After nine months of experience cleaning looms, he was promoted to weaving, and later was made loom fixer. In these various capacities he spent nine years in the employ of King Philips Mills, but at the end of that time he decided to enlarge his experience by seeking employment with another concern. After serving for one year as second hand in the weave shop of the Lincoln Manufacturing Company he served as loom-fixer in the Hargraves Mill for another twelve months, and then, on April 2, 1911, began his connection with the Charlton Mills. With characteristic thoroughness he was content to begin in the capacity of loom-fixer, but about a year after entering the Charlton Mills he was made second hand in the weave shop, where he remained for two and a half years. Ability and skill then received their reward in the form of promotion to the position of overseer of the weaving department, where for five years he fully demonstrated his skill and his executive ability. At the end of that time, in September, 1919, he was made superintendent of the Charlton Mills, which position of responsibility and trust he still holds. Mr. Bodeau owes his present success to his own earnest and untiring efforts and his career is one which may well serve as inspiration to the young men of his community.

He gives his support to the candidates and the principles of the Republican party and has always taken an interest in the advancement of the public welfare. During the period of the participation of the United States in the World War he volunteered and served as a member of Company L, Massachusetts State Guard. He is well known in fraternal circles, being a member of Narragansett Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, of Fall River, Massachusetts; the Royal Arch Masons, of Fall River; Royal and Select Masters, of Fall River; and Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, Knights Templar. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist church of Fall River.

Charles Bodeau married, at Fall River, Massachusetts, Laura Charroux, daughter of Peter and Adele (Tetrauth) Charroux, and they are the parents of three children: Oliver, who was born July 14, 1908; Edward, born December 19, 1910; and Charles, Jr., born October 31, 1913.

**ANTHONY F. CHACE**—A successful farmer of Swansea, Massachusetts, progressive in spirit, and in touch with all modern advance in his field, Anthony F. Chace is one of the well known citizens of this community and is considered a broadly successful man. Mr. Chace is a member of a very old family of this section, this branch having gone West some years ago. He is a son of Walter F. and Celia P. (Emery) Chace, the father a retired farmer of California.

Anthony F. Chace was born in Warren, Rhode Island, May 1, 1888. The family removing to California in his boyhood, his public school course only was covered in the schools of his native State. He was graduated from high school in California in 1909, and for some years thereafter was active in farm work in that State, also covered a course in dairy farming at the State Agricultural School of California. In 1917 Mr. Chace returned East, and settling in Swansea, Massachusetts, bought the farm which he now owns, a fine place of about one hundred and fifty acres, and keeping about thirty-five cows. This is considered one of the best farms in this part of the State of Massachusetts, and with his practical experience and training Mr. Chace is achieving large success. He has few interests outside those of the farm, in which line he keeps up with the modern advance. Politically he supports the Republican party.

Mr. Chace married, in Uxuepaugh, Rhode Island, in May, 1918, Ethel I. Cady, daughter of Williston A. and Orianna (Osborn) Cady, her father formerly a noted real estate dealer of Providence, who died in 1918. Mr. and Mrs. Chace have three children: Williston Cady, born in 1919; Celia Freeborn, born in 1921; and Loring Whitman, born in 1923.

**ARTHUR J. KEEFE**—A leading figure in garage and automobile sales activity in Bristol county, Massachusetts, is Arthur J. Keefe, who is a native of this State and has been active in this present line of advance for about twelve years. Mr. Keefe is a man of practical ability and tireless energy,

and his handling of the Ford interests and the Lincoln cars in Mansfield is giving these vehicles a wide popularity in local automobile circles. Mr. Keefe is a son of Arthur Keefe, who was born in Brockton, Massachusetts, and throughout his active lifetime was a shoe worker, but is now retired. His mother, Margaret (Twomey) Keefe, was also born in Brockton and is still (1924) living.

Arthur J. Keefe was born at Brockton, Massachusetts, April 11, 1875. His education was begun in the local public schools and he later attended the Brockton High School, leaving, however, before the completion of the course to take up special commercial preparations at the Bryant & Stratton Business College, at Boston. Following the completion of his education, Mr. Keefe entered the retail tea business at Brockton, Massachusetts, and for a period of many years was active and largely successful in this line of activity. Coming to Mansfield in 1907, Mr. Keefe founded the Keefe Garage, securing the agency for the Ford cars and also the Lincoln cars. With the introduction of the Fordson tractors, he expanded his interests to include the handling of this now widely popular piece of farm equipment, and having the sole agency in the Mansfield district for these producers, Mr. Keefe is holding a foremost position in his line of activity. He is also in the service branch of the automobile business and is considered the headquarters for thoroughly dependable equipment and accessories as well. Mr. Keefe has few interests outside his work, but politically supports the Republican party, although never accepting official honors. He is a member of the Edward White Assembly, Knights of Columbus, in which order he holds the fourth degree. He is affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church.

Arthur J. Keefe married, on November 20, 1907, Annie Cooney, daughter of James C. Cooney, a farmer of Mansfield. He has one daughter, Madeline Ruth, now a student at the New England Conservatory of Music, who has already played at three conservatory recitals, being a student in pianoforte.

**LAWRENCE ANDERSON**, the youngest of five children, three of whom were boys, had the pioneer spirit, and early in his career, while yet in his teens, left his homeland and came alone to the United States to settle. He soon made his way, through industry, study and perseverance, to a point of perfection in the line he followed, that has raised him to a high standing in his field of industry, that of superintendent of the Laurel Lake Mills.

He was born in Denmark, Sweden, July 20, 1884, son of Lawrence and Marie Anderson, his father a dealer in real estate in the old country. His parents never came to the United States; they are both deceased. Lawrence Anderson, next to the youngest of the family of five children, after completing his education in the public and high schools in Sweden, came alone to the United States in 1900, at the age of sixteen years. He settled in Fall River, Massachusetts, and found employment with the Barnaby Gingham Manufacturing Company,

now the Shawmut Mills. He was a weaver until 1914, then became overseer of weaving and designing. He attended the night courses of the Durfee Textile School, and graduated from various of its classes, and became an instructor of fancy weaving, continuing from 1912 to 1914 inclusive. From 1914 to 1921 he was assistant superintendent of the Durfee Mills, in that latter year coming to Laurel Lake Mills as superintendent, the position he still holds. He also took a three years' complete cotton

manufacturing course in the International Correspondence School. Mr. Anderson is a Republican in his politics, and he is a member of the order of Masonry, belonging to King Philips Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and holds the thirty-second degree in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Fall River.

Mr. Anderson married, in Fall River, in 1906, Aurelia Hoyer, daughter of Wilhelm and Mary Hoyer. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have no children.





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